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FAMILIES OF  
OLD PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA**



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**NOTE:** As is likely with any book written on family history, particularly one such  
as this that traces families for over 343 years, cannot be 100% accurate. I feel the  
formation in this book is at least 95% accurate.

Something to remember when reading this book is that "circa" dates could actually  
be a few years before or after the date listed. There were no official birth or death  
records prior to 1853, and between 1896-1912, the State of Virginia kept no such  
records.

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 Thanks so much for  
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## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

I have spent so much time in various court houses over the past five years that the staff began to think that I was either a lawyer or someone who stayed in trouble. I would like to thank the courthouse staff and all of you who contributed information for the creation of this book. A special thank you to Jim Florence of Efland, North Carolina, Robert Flourance of Arlington, Virginia, and the staff of the Bull Run Regional Library of Manassas, Virginia. In addition, I would also like to thank Ronald R. Turner and Jackie Lavelle for tromping through the woods, briars and snow with me for information gathering.

Last but not least I would like to thank my wife Bettie for enduring my persistence in this endeavor for the past six years, her help in proofreading and typing of much of the data for the printing of the book. I know that I have driven her crazy with it, but it wouldn't have been possible without her help.

# INTRODUCTION

I would like to introduce myself to those of you that do not know me directly. I am James Edward Florence, Sr., 13609 Smithwood Court, Nokesville, VA 22081-3311. I was born in Alexandria, VA on August 14, 1947 to Irvin Lee and Ella May Florence. My father was born in Prince William County and my mother was born in Grayson County, VA to Lunia (Osborn) and Leanord Reedy.

Due to high housing costs I moved to Prince William County in 1972, where I still reside, after spending four years the U.S. Air Force. I worked for the U. S. Postal Service until I retired after 22 years of service September 1, 1992. It is very ironic that I moved unknowingly to Prince William County within 10 minutes from where by father was born, and all my grandfathers back to 1700. One of my great grandfathers was even born on my birthday August 14, 1836 exactly 111 years before me.

I have located at least 11 cemeteries within 15 minutes of my home with at least eight generations of Florences. These cemeteries and their locations are listed in this book.

It has taken me over six years to compile the data for this book from records from courthouses in Prince William County Stafford County, Fauquier County and Loudoun County, Botts-Weems and Manassas Museums, Prince William Bull Run Regional Library, U.S. Census Reports, Virginia Bureau of Vital Records, and even a trip to the Mormon Temple in Salt Lake City, Utah. Most of the data came from census, marriage, birth and death records. Where available you will note a series of numbers 1-22-23 after marriages which will indicate a book number, page and line number. All will be in Prince William unless indicated Fauquier County.

With the exception of the years 1896 to 1912, the Office of Vital Records has record of births, deaths and marriages since 1853. There are no records prior to 1853, because there was no law that required the registration of births, deaths and marriages between 1896 and June 14, 1912, in Virginia.

For most areas in Virginia records are available for the years 1853 to 1896. Any "marriage bonds" prior to 1853 that are still in existence would also be in the Virginia State Library and Archives, as would war records prior to and including the Civil War, deeds, wills and other court records located in Richmond, VA.

There is a listing of 91 confederate Civil War Florences. Ten are from the Prince William and Fauquier County area with information on those ten. A list of the War of 1812 and many Revolutionary Florences and their states are included as well.



If you ever undertake a project like this, you will find yourself spending countless hours doing research in libraries, courthouses and hounding any relatives, and tromping through snake and overgrown briar infested cemeteries.

An important fact to remember while reading this book is that the first Florences in America spelled their name *Flourance*, then *Florance* finally *Florence*. During my research in the courthouses I found several documents that used at least two different versions of the spelling of the name when talking about the same person. Some of the documents with the spelling of *Flourance* when mentioning a son spelled the name *Florance*. It appears that the spelling was at the discretion of the clerk recording the document. Many Florences of the 1700 and 1800's could not read or write, as many of early American families could not. Their names were written by the clerk and they signed with an "X" for their name.

Robert *Florance* of Arlington, Virginia converted his name back to the originally spelling *Flourance*. So in the book you will notice that an "E" or an "A" is used or not used with an "U", please do not be offended. I assure you that we are related and if your forefathers descended from Prince William County, Virginia.

Today, there are *Florances* living in Manassas, Virginia that came into Prince William County within the past 20 years from the State of New York, and are not of our line.

I wrote this book out of love and admiration of my ancestors and for the future *Florence* generations to enjoy. A copy can be found at Prince William Bull Run Regional Library (Relic Room) and the Prince William Courthouse (archives) Manassas, Virginia.

You may use any information that I have contributed to this book for your families or books/articles in the future.

I hope that many of you purchased extra copies of this book to share with your children and their families and that you all find this book as interesting as I have in learning about ancestors. We should all remember and honor the history that the *Florence* Family has contributed to this country and if it were not for them we would not be here.

If you have any comments about this book, please write to me, I would be happy to hear from you.

## SOURCES & REFERENCES

### Books:

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*Land Marks of Old Prince William Volumes 1 & 2* - written by Fairfax Harrison 1987. Lists early beginning of Prince William County roads and people - approximate cost \$20.00.

*Crossroads & Corners* - written by Eugene M. Scheel - a tour of villages, towns, post offices of Prince William County past and present. Can be purchased for \$10.00 and can be purchased with a map for \$12.00 extra.

*The Florences, A Family History* - written by Jim Florence of Efland, North Carolina. This book can be found in the Relic Room of the Bull Run Regional Library, Manassas, VA. This book is not for purchase.

Various books by Ronald Ray Turner

### Places:

Prince William County Courthouse & Archives

Fairfax County Courthouse

Prince William, Bull Run Regional Library

Family History Archives, The Church of Jesus Christ Latter Day Saints, Salt Lake City, Ut

Richmond, Virginia Courthouse

Loudoun County Courthouse

Stafford County Virginia Courthouse

Alexandria, Virginia Courthouse

Prince William Forest Park (Ranger Jackie Lavelle)

## Coat of Arms



Florence

## Historiography

The Florence Coat of Arms illustrated left was drawn by an heraldic artist from information officially recorded in ancient heraldic archives. Documentation for the Florence Coat of Arms design can be found in Burke's General Armory. Heraldic artists of old developed their own unique language to describe an individual Coat of Arms. In their language, the Arms (shield) is as follows:

"Az. a cross flory ar."

When translated the Arms description is:

"Blue, a silver cross over all."

Family mottos are believed to have originated as battle cries in medieval times. A Motto was not recorded with the Florence Coat of Arms.

Individual surnames originated for the purpose of more specific identification. The four primary sources for second names were: occupation, location, father's name and personal characteristics. The surname Florence appears to be both patronymical and locational in origin, and is believed to be associated with the English, meaning, "descendant of Florence" and "one who came from, or lived near Florence in Italy." The supplementary sheet included with this report is designed to give you more information to further your understanding of the origin of names. Different spellings of the same original surname are a common occurrence. Dictionaries of surnames indicate probable spelling variations. The most prominent variations of Florence are Florance, Flora, Florase, Floren, Florens, Florian, Florans, Florense and Florences.

Information available to us indicates that in 1971 there were approximately 1580 heads of households in the United States with the old and distinguished Florence name. The United States Census Bureau in 1970 estimated that there were approximately 3.1 persons per household in America which yields an approximate total of 4898 people in the United States carrying the Florence name. Although the figure seems relatively low, it does not signify the many important contributions that individuals bearing the Florence name have made to history.

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# Chapter One

## The Beginning of William Flourance to Northumberland County, Virginia

The first known Flourance to America settled in Northumberland County, Virginia was William on August 24, 1658, from England. There is no documentation that supports his wife accompanying him including the manifest from ship records. The only clues of who the wife of William may have been is a listing of Mrs. William Flourance living in Stafford County, Virginia in 1676. Another clue is a man named John Bryant in Nansemond County, Virginia recorded a deed and named a property owner next to him as Elizabeth Flourance dated April 20, 1694. The last possible clue is a land document dated May 1, 1706 listing a man named Col. Robert Bolling involving an Elizabeth Flourance in Prince Georges County, Virginia. This Elizabeth in these incidents could very well be the wife of William, but there is no documentation to confirm this. Throughout the 1700-1800's in Prince William County an awful lot of Flourance female children were named Elizabeth.

A very wealthy land owner named Peter Ashton is believed not to be the owner of the ship, but the person responsible for the passage of many people to America. On the trip that brought the first William was forty other people. William and Charles Hoyle, Edward Rogers, and Edward Dyer were later added the manifest. Documentation on this is included.

Upon arrival to America these four were to collect fifty acres of land each, however Peter Ashton managed to collect and keep this land for their passage, and they became his indentured servants, working off the rest of their debt. Mr. Ashton owned more than 2500 acres.

In the Stafford County Courthouse records in 1666, there is a document that mentions William working for Mr. Nicholas Bruly, who is believed to be the overseer of Peter Ashton's large estate called "Chatterton", which is also the name of an area in England. However, there seems to be a consensus that Mr. Ashton made his home in England. The area in Virginia where Chatterton was located in an area known today as Passapatanzy.

In 1665 like many modern day Florences, William had his problems. A court document dated October 5, 1665 states that William had angered a local Indian named "Cheatike" by firing his gun. William was fined 205 pounds of tobacco. Also, in the Stafford courthouse records there is a document dated September 26, 1666, that tells of a horse belonging to Robert Osbourne being found by William. Mr. Nicholas Bruly, the overseer of Chatterton, told William to put the horse in the barn. When Mr. Osbourne met with William he was told the horse was dead. Mr. Osbourne proved to the court that the



horse was alive and the court ordered Nicolas Bruly to pay a fine of 2000 pounds of tobacco, and pay for the horse even though the horse was alive.

By 1703 records are found for John Flourance in Essex County, Virginia. This is the generally the same area of Stafford County. On August 13, 1707 John appears again with a Thomas Flourance in Lancaster County. Because of the dates and same area, it is believed that these two were brothers and sons of the first William since they were the only Flourances living in that area of Virginia during that time period.

John was living in Stafford County on August 20, 1725, where it is listed he received a 434 acre land grant from Lord Thomas Fairfax. That area is modern day Prince William County, which became a county cut out of Stafford County in 1731. A copy of that land grant follows the write up on John. The land grant is present day Lake Jackson on both sides of the Occoquan River and Dumfries Road (Rt. 234). This road runs right through the middle of John's land grant. John also owned 81 acres on Broad Run, and 252 acres on the Occoquan River. John was a tailor by trade and learned to farm his large assets of land.

John and Elizabeth were members of the Church of England in Dettingen Parish. On Parish records when you attained the age of seventy you become exempt from paying the Parish levy of 28 pounds of tobacco. John became exempt in 1750. This shows that John was born circa 1680.

John and Elizabeth had three known sons William, George, Sr. and Joseph all born in Prince William County. William married Lettice Whitescarver from Culpepper County, Virginia and they later moved to Georgia. George Sr. married Newman and stayed in Prince William. Joseph married Mary and remained in Prince William but their children moved elsewhere.

John died in 1752, and upon his death 200 acres of his land was sold to Edward Emms by William, Lettice, George, Sr., Newman and their mother Elizabeth for 100 pounds in Virginia currency.

On April 5, 1752, Joseph sold 100 acres to his son George, Jr. On the land document it was very clear that George, Jr., was the son of Joseph and Mary. It was a common practice to name children after family relatives. George, Jr. was named after his uncle George, Sr., and he moved out of Prince William sometime in 1806.

George, Sr. and Newman had a son and named him George, Jr. This is the line that remained in Prince William where many of their children lived and died as you will see on the family lines later in this book. This is the line in which I descended.

Johns' brother Thomas born circa 1670, died in Lancaster County, Virginia on June 13, 1740.

County of Northumberland.  
the 24<sup>th</sup> of August 1658

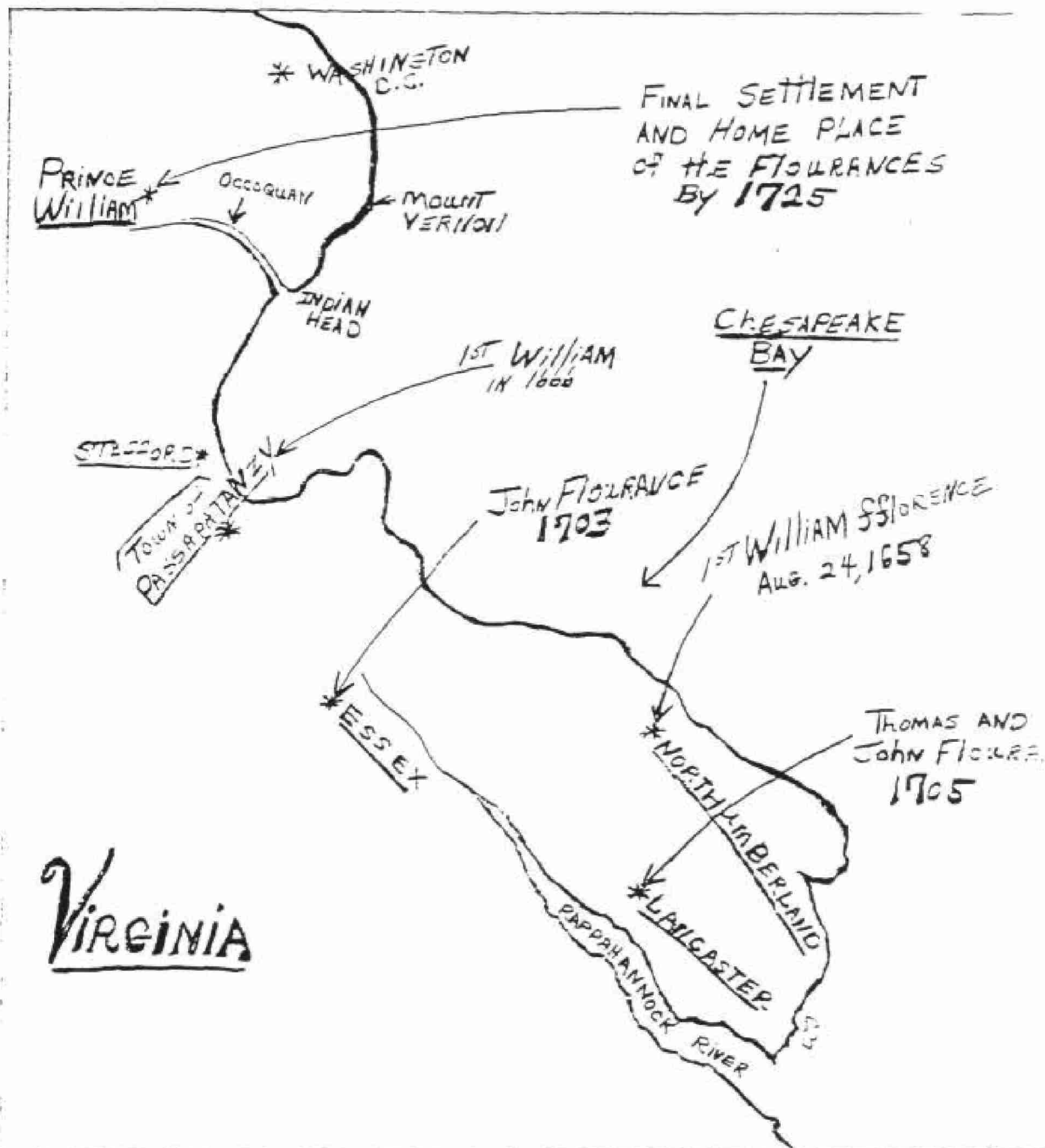
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Northumberland County Order Book, 1652-1665, page 94 (1658).



This map tracks the early Flourances from Northumberland Co. Va. to Prince William Co. Va. It was drawn by Jim Florence Jr. of Efland, N.C. and can also be found in his book located in the "Relic Room" Bull Run Regional Library, Manassas, Va. Books of this nature and also of mine (the one you are reading) are for public information and cannot be checked out. (Library use only).

RT. 234 PRESENT DAY AREA OF LAKE JACKSON - BOTH SIDES OF THE OCCOQUAN  
LANDGRANT 434 ACRES TO JOHN & ELIZABETH FLOURANCE AUG. 20, 1725

The R<sup>t</sup>. Hon<sup>ble</sup>. Tho<sup>s</sup> Lord Fairfax  
of Leeds Castle in the County of Kent and Baron of Burgh  
now in Scotland W<sup>m</sup> CAGE of Milgate in the Parish of  
Breadstreet in the said County of Kent Esq<sup>r</sup> & Devises in trust  
with the Exec<sup>rs</sup> of J<sup>h</sup> Westm<sup>an</sup> Esq<sup>r</sup> of the R<sup>t</sup>. Hon<sup>ble</sup> College: L<sup>ds</sup>.  
his free and Proprietors of the Northern Neck of Virg<sup>a</sup> to all  
to whom this present writing shall come send greeting & know  
ye that for diverse good Causes & Considerations but more Espe-  
cially found in consideration of the Composition & covenants made  
into our Agent and Attorney in Law for the Annual Rent hereof  
before us We have given granted and confirmed and by these  
presents do our heirs Assignes DO give grant and confirm  
unto John Commerce of Stafford County One Certain Parcel or Part  
of Land containing four hundred & thirty four Acres Situate lying  
and being in the said County On some branches flowing out of  
the North Side of Occoquan Bounded as followeth Viz<sup>t</sup>  
Beginning at a marked W<sup>t</sup> Oak, being Corner to a Part of land  
formerly surveyed for Maurice Binn, & likewise standing on  
the South Side of Croopers Cabin branch Extending thence So-  
uthly two day<sup>s</sup> West along the line of the said land Ninety two  
po<sup>ts</sup> to a W<sup>t</sup> Oak, w<sup>ch</sup> Corner thereof. Thence bounding with the said land  
Southly fifty three day<sup>s</sup> West Sixty four po<sup>ts</sup> to another W<sup>t</sup> Oak  
Corner, thence on the Side of the piny branch thence South  
Eighty three day<sup>s</sup> West Eighteen po<sup>ts</sup> Crossing the said branch  
to two white Oaks a Corner to the said land & standing on y<sup>e</sup> So-  
uth Side of the said branch, thence up the said branch North Sixty  
day<sup>s</sup> West Sixty po<sup>ts</sup> to a Spr<sup>ing</sup> Oak On the North Side of the said  
branch, thence North thirty day<sup>s</sup> East fifty two po<sup>ts</sup> to a W<sup>t</sup> Oak  
on a hill, thence North Nineteen day<sup>s</sup> West One hundred and  
Seventy two po<sup>ts</sup> to a Red Oak being the beginning of a Part of land  
formerly surveyed for Edw<sup>d</sup>. Grayham, thence along the S<sup>d</sup>. Grayham  
line North Eleven day<sup>s</sup> East Seventy four po<sup>ts</sup> to a Red Oak, thence  
North Sixty day<sup>s</sup> East One hundred & thirty po<sup>ts</sup> to a W<sup>t</sup> Oak  
thence South Sixty day<sup>s</sup> East One hundred & Eighty three po<sup>ts</sup> to  
a large Red Oak, in a pond or whet, thence South Twenty day<sup>s</sup>  
East One hundred & Eighty seven po<sup>ts</sup> to a Hickory & Saw<sup>ed</sup> Sapling  
in the Edge of the said pond or field finally South Sixty seven  
day<sup>s</sup> West One hundred and Twenty two po<sup>ts</sup> to the first  
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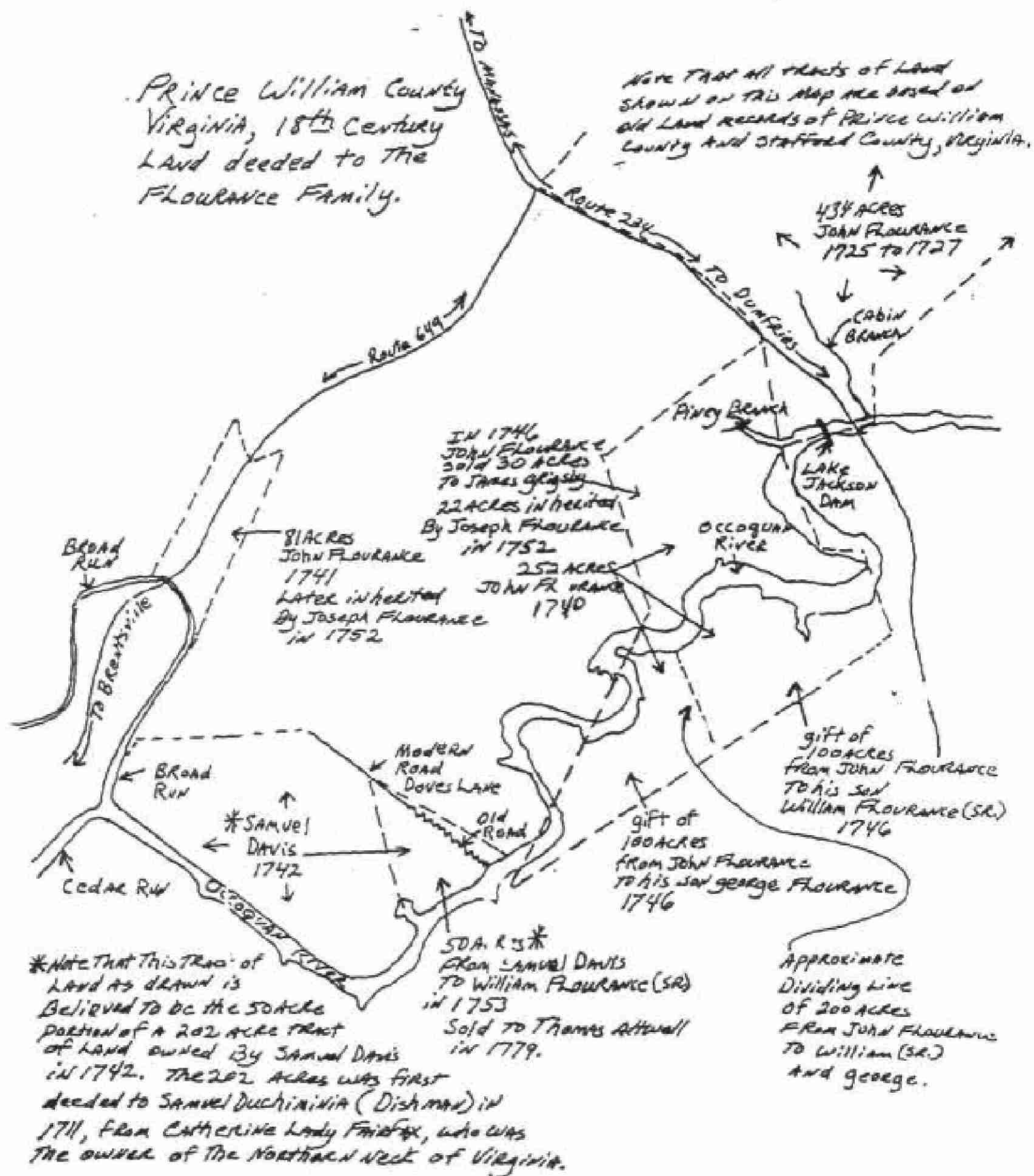
that unto belonging Royal mines & except a full third part of all Linn  
Copper, Tin, Coal, Iron mines & Iron Ore that shall be found thereon  
To have and to hold the said four hundred & thirty four Acres  
of Land together with all rights profits & benefits to y<sup>e</sup> same belonging  
even any wide Appurtenances except before excepted to him the said  
John Lawrence his heirs and Assignes for ever, in the said John  
Lawrence his heirs and Assignes therefore **Yielding & paying**  
unto our heirs & Assignes unto the certain Attorney or Attorneys  
Agent or Agents of us the said Proprietors or the certain Attorney  
or Attorneys of our heirs & Assignes Prop<sup>r</sup> of the said Northern Neck  
yearly & every year on y<sup>e</sup> feast of Saint Michael & Archangel  
y<sup>e</sup> fee rent of one shill. Sterl. money for every fifty Ac<sup>r</sup> of land hereby  
granted and so proportionably for any other or lesser quantity  
Provided that if the said John Lawrence his heirs or Assignes  
shall not pay the before recited Annual Rent so that the same or  
any part thereof shall be behind or unpaid by the space of two  
whole years after the same shall become due if lawfully demanded  
that then it shall & may be lawful for us our heirs & Assignes  
Prop<sup>r</sup> as aforesaid or their certain Attorney or Attorneys Agent  
or Agents into the above granted premises to enter & hold y<sup>e</sup> same  
as if this grant had never passed Given at our Office in Lanc<sup>r</sup>  
County within our said Proprietary under our Seal Witness  
Our Agent and Attorney fully authorized thereto Dated & 20<sup>th</sup>  
Day of ~~January~~ <sup>August</sup> 1725 in the sixth year of the Reigne of Our  
Sovereign Lord George of great Britain France & Ireland King  
Behaving of the said Anno: Domini. 1725 —

John Lawrence's Deed  
for 434 Acres of Land  
In Stafford County

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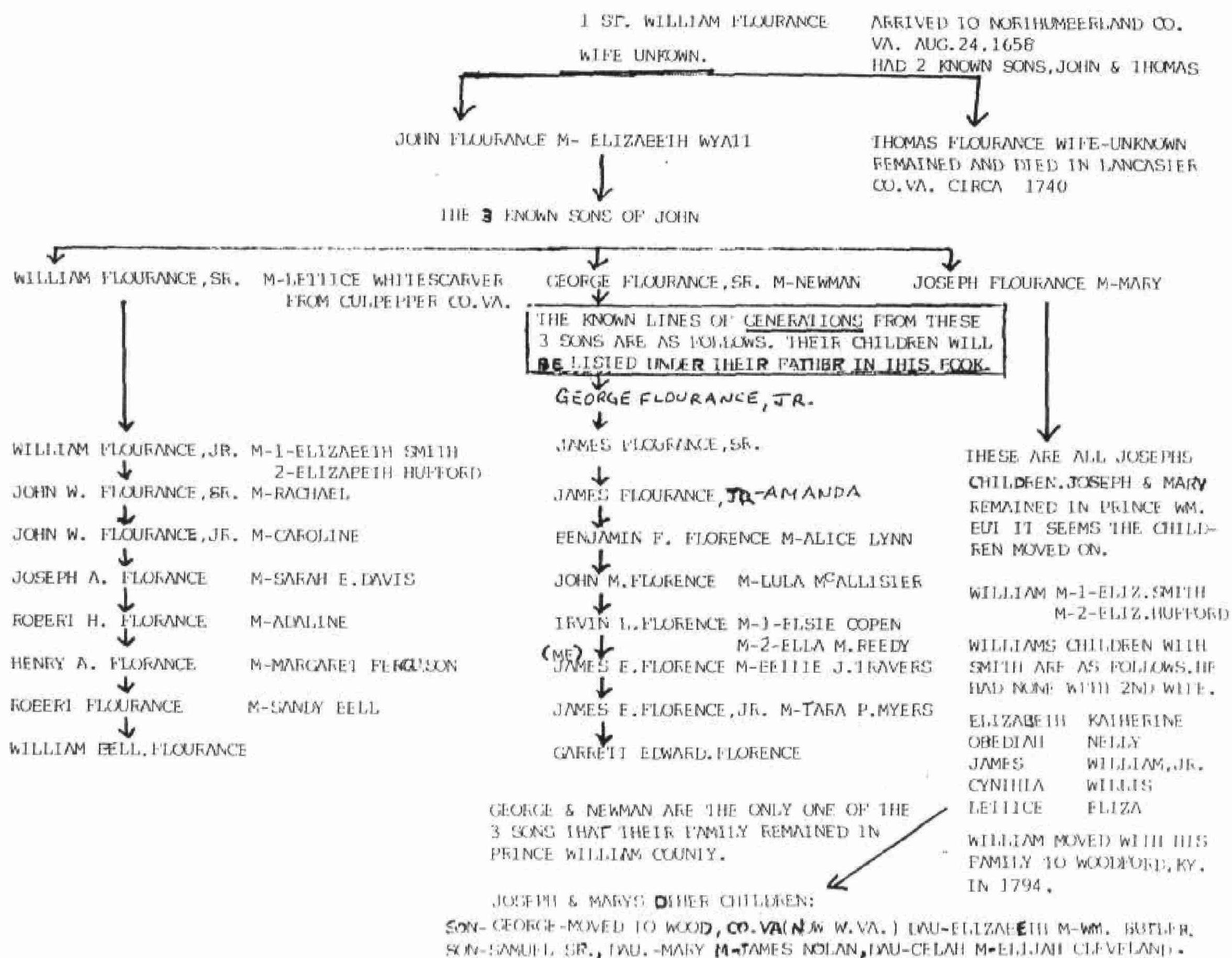


Prince William County Virginia, Home of  
The Flourance Family in early days



This map is an excellent example of the property owned by the early Flourance family. It was drawn by Robert Flourance of Arlington, Va. and published in Jim Florence, Jr.'s book "The Flourance, Florance, Florence, A Family History" Located in the "Relic Room" Bull Regional Library Manassas, Va. Jim Florence Jr. lives in Efland, N.C.

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LYNN LINE INTO THE FLORENCE LINE

MICHAEL LYNN



JOHN MOSES LYNN wife- ELIZABETH CHESHIRE

B CA 1795 D 1868

son

LEROY W. LYNN wife- MALVINIA THOMAS

B 1827

B 8/13/1810

D 1896

daughter



LAVINIA ALICE LYNN husband- BENJAMIN F. FLORENCE B 8/14/1836

B 9/15/1850 D 12/2/1914

D 4/3/1885

son



JOHN MEREDITH FLORENCE wife- LULU M<sup>C</sup>ALLISTER B 1884

B 7/18/1874

D 1936

son



IRVIN LEE FLORENCE wife-1- ELSIE H. COPEN B 1906 D 2/21/1936

B 12/16/1903 D 10/26/1962 2-ELLA MAY REEDY B 11/13/1917

son



JAMES EDWARD FLORENCE SR. wife- BETTIE JANE TRAVERS B 7/13/1949

B 8/14/1947

son



JAMES EDWARD FLORENCE JR. wife- TARA PAGE MYERS <sup>B-</sup> 8/12/1971

B 11/23/1967



SON



GARRETT EDWARD FLORENCE

B 12/27/1999



# Historic inn, cemetery in path of interchange

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Herman Jackson says he has been a hostage for 10 years. A hostage of the Route 234 Bypass proposed by the Virginia Department of Transportation.

The proposed bypass — planned to reduce traffic on Dumfries Road and join Liberia Avenue to Prince William Parkway — has Jackson in a limbo.

Jackson says he cannot bear to invest money in his 120-year-old home, built on the stone foundation of Brown's Tavern, an inn at which Thomas Jefferson rested the night before his inauguration. His home it is set to be razed, along with eight other homes in the neighborhood of Limstrong's Corner at Brentsville Road (Route 649) and Route 234, if the proposed bypass project is built.

Wilkie Smith Leith, co-chair of the Limstrong's Corner Citizen's Association, said VDOT proposed the Route 234 Bypass 20 years ago, though the original plan has evolved a half dozen times since. The currently projected highway would terminate in a 500-acre cloverleaf exchange in the Brentsville Road area.

Nine residences, farms and a graveyard with historic significance would be razed, then paved — bringing more traffic and more noise and disrupting lives as well as 49 acres of wetlands.

A 1993 environmental-impact study of the project by VDOT stated: "The need for the proposed project is based on the inability of existing Route 234 to accommodate the increasingly heavy traffic volumes, both local and through, within (its) corridor. There is a particular need to bypass heavily congested sections of existing Route 234 through downtown Manassas.

"The proposed project will also provide adequate capacity to accommodate additional growth in the area and will provide an improved link to the interstate system."

If the VDOT plan goes through, the affected homes will be condemned. "No persons will be asked to move until suitable replacement housing is provided ... Nine archaeological sites ... could be affected," the report says.

But the Limstrong's Corner group is proposing what it says is a more simple, less costly project. And one that would spare the homes and other structures. "Do it all now," Jackson says, "do it a little different with the dollars they have and don't take anyone's homes."

The bypass planned by VDOT would ultimately be a six-lane divided highway, with four lanes initially built and the two additional lanes to be added later to accommodate the county's booming population, the report says. Prince William's population grew from 144,703 in 1980 to 215,686 in 1990 and "average daily traffic volumes grew 31 to 77 percent between 1977 and 1992 on sections of Route 234 south of Manassas," according to the report.

VDOT public information officer Joan Morris said the bypass plan is not final. Morris said environmental impact studies have been conducted by VDOT, Mary Washington College Center for Historic Preservation and the state Division of Historic Landmarks to determine the feasibility of the plan and its impact on the area's historic features.

"The design of interchange at Limstrong has been approved," she said, "and I know (the citizens) have asked VDOT to take another look at their plan — and we are doing that. The group has presented a proposal to VDOT's Commissioner Dave Gehr asking for a review and change. We'll be able to get back to citizens by end of August."

Morris said no date has been set for the start of construction, though completion dates are estimated through 2002. "On any major reconstruction project," she said, "VDOT wants to work with citizens and elected officials to come up with solutions to everyone's benefit."

Jackson has found little benefit in VDOT's plan. He has found in research of his property, which he bought in 1975, that the former occupants lived here for 55 years. The tavern dates to 1800, as does a shabby stone wall nearby. "These stones have been here for 200 years," says Jackson, motioning toward his barn and freshly mowed grass.

Wilkie Smith Leith's property nearby also contains stones that have been there 200 years — headstones in the Flourance family cemetery, another historical feature threatened by the bypass plan.

The cemetery dates to the 18th century and contains approximately 40 unmarked grave sites. The people buried there were Flourance family members and others believed to have been the family's slaves, as well as the remains of soldiers killed in the Civil War soldiers. The first Flourance family member in America was William Flourance, who arrived in the Virginia Colony in 1658.

"The family is concerned that this graveyard will be disturbed," said Leith, who has lived on the property since she was 7 years old. "I recognize the need for the road, but how does this relate to progress when you're wiping out homes when there are viable alternatives?"

Robert Flourance of Arlington, a direct descendant of William Flourance, circulated a petition among family members and friends asking VDOT and Prince William County not to "destroy, or desecrate, our family grave yard, or the surrounding property, because of its historical significance to our family and also to Prince William County." Of the hundreds of signatures collected, 167 alone are Flourance relatives.

The original design of the interchange — a diamond shape — was slightly north of the current plan which is designed over the Flourance family cemetery. The change in the plan, Limstrong's Corner group members say, prompted their grievances.

"They had a design for the interchange that we were all made aware of," Leith was quoted as saying in the Feb. 14, 1990 edition of *Manassas Weekly Gazette*. "It took up much less property and affected our land much less."

VDOT and county officials said the design change incorporates the Liberia Avenue extension into the interchange to handle the heavy traffic expected to come from that

end of the county by the time the highway is completed in the late 1990s.

In the latest plan, Liberia will join the bypass, linking Interstate 66 with Interstate 95 via the Prince William Parkway. County voters in 1994 approved an \$18 million bond referendum to pay for new roads, which will contribute to the project's estimated cost of \$117.6 million.

VDOT May 31 started the first of four phases in the bypass project, leaving the residents little time for their alternate plan to be adopted. One of the neighborhood's alternative routes, developed with the help of engineer Gary Moody, Leith's husband, routes Liberia north again with a smaller interchange at Route 234. It wouldn't disturb the Flourance cemetery.

Limstrong's Corner member say the design will not only preserve the quality of life, but save state and county costs for the project. It will also "enhance the existing business climate of the Route 234 corridor immediately south of the City of Manassas and in southern Manassas City," the group's mission statement says.

The 30-plus member group got heated up after learning of the plan for the expansive cloverleaf. "We're not fighting the road per se," says Jackson, an active member. "We're fighting the need for the cloverleaf."

Their plan, he says, will cost a third of the VDOT's plan. "They could build what we're proposing now with the money they have. We believe there isn't a need to widen Brentsville Road. But our plan will give them plenty of access to 234, the Parkway, Liberia Avenue and won't interrupt lives."

The Flourance family plans a dedication of a memorial at the cemetery Sunday at noon; the public is invited to attend the ceremony at Smith Mason Farm, which is off South Lane south of Manassas and west of Route 234.

## CHAPTER TWO

This chapter is about William the first son of John. Listed below in order of generations is the known information about his sons.

**William Flourance, Sr.** - Born Circa 1715 and died 11/13/1799. Wife: Lettice Whitescarver

### Known Children of William & Lettice:

**1 - William Flourance, Jr.** - born 1/7/1736 died 9/14/1821

1<sup>st</sup> wife Mary Nash married on 1/7/1759

2<sup>nd</sup> wife Sarah Hutchinson married on 3/13/1784

**2 - Thomas Flourance, Sr.** - born circa 1738 died 9/1/1834 in Lincoln County, GA.  
Married Isabella in 1758 (Source: Donna Fay Steddum, from Henderson, Texas)

**3 - Obediah Flourance** - born circa 1740 died 2/8/1816 in Boone County, KY  
Wife's name was Verona (Source: Donna Donna Fay Steddum, from Henderson, Texas)

**4 - John Flourance** - born circa 1745 died 3/2/1812 in Lincoln County, GA.  
Wife's - name Jennie Lashbrook (Source: Donna Donna Fay Steddum, from Henderson, Texas)

### Known Children of John & Jennie:

**a - John Flourance, Jr.** - born circa 1770 died 3/3/1806 in Lincoln County, GA.  
Wife - Mary Jane

**b - Margaret Flourance** - married David Blalock

**c - Francis Flourance** - born 3/30/1783 died 8/12/1839, married Willis Jones on 2/10/1800 buried in Jones/Florence Cemetery, Meriweather County, GA.

**d - Jennie Flourance** - married James York

**e - Mary (Polly) Flourance** - married Moses Jones 2/12/1789 in Culpepper, VA.

**f - Thomas Flourance** - born 3/5/1789 died 6/3/1863.

1<sup>st</sup> wife Lucy Blalock on 9/11/1806

2<sup>nd</sup> wife Ann Blalock on 10/15/1829

**5 - Frances Flourance** - born circa 1746 - married William Nolan.



**John Florance, Sr.** - son of William, Jr. and Sarah born circa 1787 died circa 1844  
Wife - Rachel born circa 1785. Records at the Prince William Courthouse include a land document of Rachel selling property to her son William and mentions that her husband John is deceased. Recorded in Deed Book 19, Page 6, on 9/15/1844, Rachel sold her farm for \$1500, in the area of Greenwich off of what is known as Vint Hill Road

**Known Children of John , Sr. & Rachel:**

**a -Robert H.** - born circa 1822 - married Adaline Florance, the daughter of Alfred & Jane Florance, 12/13/1854 recorded in Fauquier County Book 7, Page 3.

**b -John W.** - born circa 1820 - married Caroline born circa 1818

**c -William** - born circa 1821 - married Louise Renoe, daughter of Strouther Renoe.

**d -Ann M.** - born 1/10/1819 died 9/16/1889 - married William L. McIntosh (both are buried at Greenwich Church)

**John W. Florance, Jr.** - born circa 1820 - married Caroline born circa 1818 John must have died before 1870 because he is not listed on the 1870 census records but Caroline is.

**Known Children of John W. & Caroline:**

**a -Julia A.** - born circa 1849 died circa 1932 - married at the age of 32 Robert A. Townsend on 1/19/1882 (BK 1 P 18 L 5) Robert was the son of James and Nancy Townsend.

**b -Joseph A.** - born circa 1844 at the age of 23 married Sarah E. Davis age 28 on 2/19/1872. (BK 1 P 8 L 11)

**c- Susanna V.** - Born circa 1850 died 1923 (on tombstone) never married. At the age of 68 on the 1920 census records she was living with William H. Ellis. She is buried at Greenwich Church.

**Alfred Florance** - son of William, Jr., and brother to John who married Rachel. Date of birth and death unknown - married Jane E. Hereford born 9/26/1807 died 3/26/1881. (source 1857-1013 Fauquier County records)

**Known Children of Alfred & Jane:**

**1 - George Cumberland Florance** - born circa 1834 died 10/23/1884 - (CSA) married Lucy M. Laws on 2/5/1866 (source - Fauquier County Book 7, Page 46 ). Lucy was the daughter of Newton and Ann Laws born 10/11/1843 date of Lucy's death is unknown.

**Known Children of George & Lucy:**

**a - Clarence N.** - born 9/24/1871 died 9/8/1940 from Culpepper County, Virginia at the age of 36 married Florence C. Klipstein age 34 in Fauquier County (she became Florence C. Florance). Florence was born 2/7/1874 died 7/30/1959. Both are buried at Warrenton Cemetery. Also buried there is a Mabel Florance - I have no records on her.

**b - Gilbert E.** - born 12/1868 (source Fauquier County birth records book 1853-1896. Book P, Page 72, Line 33).

**c - Clara** - born 6/25/1871 Fauquier P 99 1-8.

**d - Herbert** (twin) - born 6/15/1876 died 1877 one year old - burned to death.

**e - Robert** (Herbert's twin) - born 6/15/1876 died 12 days later of cholera infection.

**2 - Robert C. Florance** (CSA Company H, 4<sup>th</sup> VA. Calvary) buried Warrenton Cemetery.

**3 - Alban M. Florance** - born 1847 at the age of 24 married Roberta H. Francis age 24 born 1847 daughter of Robert H. & Susanna Francis (Fauquier Book 7, Page 108).

**Known Children of Alban & Roberta:** (Source Fauquier Co. Birth Records 1853-1896)

**a - H. A. Florance** - born 5/20/1880

**b - Henry A.** - born 6/9/1877

**4 - Virginia Roberta Florance** - born circa 1840 married William Henry Weeks born circa 1834 in Fauquier County on 9/13/1866. She was 26 and he was 32 when married (Book 7, Page 50.).

### Known Children Virginia & William:

**a - William Florance** - died in 1862 at the age of 13 months from the whooping cough.

**b - Luke Florence** - date of birth unknown died in 1882 as an infant from diphtheria.

**5 - John W. Florance** - born circa 1837 died 1/25/1892 of pneumonia at the age of 55. Wife Anna Florance born circa 1852. (source - Fauquier County death records 1857-1913, Page 148.

**Robert H. Florance** - son of John & Rachel born circa 1822 and died circa 1876 of pneumonia information according to the death records in Fauquier County was given by his wife Adaline. He married Adaline, daughter of Alfred & Jane on 12/13/1854. (source - Fauquier marriage Book 7, Page 3)

### Known Children of Robert & Adaline:

**1 - William C. Florance** - born circa 1863 and at the age of 27 married 21 year old Mary S. Harrison on 2/4/1890. (source - Fauquier County marriage records Book 7, Page 217)

### Known Children of William & Mary:

**a - Mary Florance** - born 11/22/1891 and died 2/5/1892 at the age of 3 months. (source - Fauquier County birth records, Page 268, Line 14).

**2 - Randolph Florance** - born 8/4/1856, at the age of 31 he married 27 year old Marium M. Embry, daughter of W. A. Embry. (Source - Fauquier County marriage records Book 1, Page 23, Line 40)

**3 - Addie Florance** - born circa 1859 and died on 7/18/1913 of typhoid fever. She lived up to the time of death in New Baltimore, Virginia, an area very close to Warrenton, Virginia.

**Joseph Atchinson Florance** - son of John & Caroline was born circa 1848. Married Sarah E. Davis, born circa 1845, daughter of Matthew Davis, on 2/29/1872, Joseph was 23 and Sarah was 28 at the time of their marriage (source - Prince William County marriage records, Book 1, Page 8, Line 11). According to the 1910 census Sarah had died, and Joseph was still alive according to the 1920 census.

### Known Children of Joseph & Sarah:

**1 - Robert H. Florance** - born 4/28/1876. At the age of 33 married Lillian Huffman, age 25, daughter of William Huffman on 1/5/1910 (source - Prince William County marriage records, Book 1, Page 53, Line 8).

#### Known Children of Robert & Lillian:

**a -Robert Wilson Florance** - born 10/10/1913 died at birth (premature).

**b -Mary Lee Florance** - born circa 1911 - at the age of 22 married 27 year old Edmund Roland on 9/20/1933 (source - Prince William County marriage records, Book 1, Page 86, Line 47).

**c - Henry A. Florance** (AKA Buster) - born 12/20/1915, married Margaret Ferguson

#### Known Children of Henry & Margaret:

**a -James Ferguson Florance** - born 6/30/1946 died 1995 of diabetes

**b -Robert Flourance** - born 9/27/1948, wife Sandy Bell born 6/9/1950

#### Known Children of Robert & Sandy:

**a - Sarah Ferguson Flourance** - born 10/30/1986

**b - William Bell Flourance** - born 4/11/1990

**d - Irene Othella Florance** - born circa 1918, married Vernon H. Wood on 4/9/1939. Husband number 2 was a Mr. Ridgeway (source Prince William marriage records Book 2, Page 75 , Line 324).

**2 - Minnie L. Florance** - born 10/11/1874, at age 39 married Edward Morris age 49 on 5/20/1910 (source Prince William marriage records, Book 1, Page 53, Lline 8. Both are buried at Greenwich Church.

**3 - William Logan Florance** - born 1/15/1878, married at the age of 25 to his first wife Georgie W. McLearen age 24 born 10/26/1878 and died 2/18/1905 (source - Prince William marriage records Book 1, Page 42, Line 40). Georgie is buried with the McLearen family at Greenwich Church. His second wife was Dora Lunsford age 24, daughter of David & Sarah Lunsford. She was born and married in Fauquier (source - Fauquier County Marriage Records Book 1906-1939, Page I).

**Known Children: (with wife Dora )**

- a - R. Thurston Florance - born circa 1908**
- b - Elsie Florance - born circa 1910**
- c - R. Wilson Florance - born 8/25/1913**
- d - Raymond Florance - born circa 1914**
- e - Edward W. Florance - born circa 1916**

**4 - Joseph A. Florance, Jr. - born 10/1882**

**5 - Still born child born 10/1873**

**Note:** Jane Florance, wife of Alfred, her inscribed tombstone was found in the yard of her old home place not on her grave at Thoughtfare Gap, Virginia. The home place is located about 3 miles south of Rte. 55 on Rte. 600 at Broad Run, Virginia, now Blanden Dulaney's property.

In her honor Jim Florence of North Carolina obtained her tombstone and will be placed in the future in the Old Flourance Cemetery on Rte. 234. No grave or stone was ever found for her husband, Alfred, although he too is buried in the same yard as Jane.

This completes the line generation in Prince William County of John's first son William Flourance.



## CHAPTER THREE

Of the three brothers, this chapter covers George, who not only remained in Prince William County, but so did his children and their children. This will be the largest chapter in this book because of the many descendents from George. This is the line that my family descended from. Those of you reading this book that reside in Prince William County today will recognize a lot of their ancestors that married into the Florence lines.

**George Flourance, Sr.** - born circa 1716 died 1790, last will processed in Prince William Courthouse July, 2, 1792, Book H, Page 32. His wife and children are included in this will. George is the second son of John and Elizabeth Flourance. His wife was Newman and they married circa 1752. Living on the land where the original Flourance homestead and cemetery is located, it is believed by several different Florence lines in and out of the State of Virginia, that both George and his wife Newman are buried there. It is also believed that several of his children and their descendents, especially those in the middle 1800's are believed to be buried there. There are at least sixty graves, mostly sandstones without inscriptions in the Old Flourance home place cemetery.

### Known Children of George & Newman:

- 1 - **Missy** - born circa 1759
- 2 - **Frances** - born circa 1761
- 3 - **Ruth** - born circa 1763
- 4 - **Sarah** - born circa 1767
- 5 - **Mary** - born circa 1765 - married Moses Jones
- 6 - **William** - born circa 1755
- 7 - **James, Sr.** - born circa 1757 died 1832 and is buried at the Old Flourance Cemetery on Rte. 234, with the only sand tombstone with an inscription. It reads: J.W. Sr., Flour--- the last part is broken off of the stone. Unable to establish who his wife was.

### Known Children of James Sr.

a - **James Florence, Jr.** - born circa 1795 - married Amanda mentioned in a land sale to William Seymour Lynn 7/28/1832, seventeen acres for \$37.50. He is also the James Florence from Prince William that served in the War of 1812 (Ref. Book *Prince William, The Story of Its People and Places*, page 42. Ref. 2 - Regimental Rolls taken from a packet of letters by Walter Friedman, Providence, R.I. 1988 in the Arlington County, Virginia library).

James, Jr., bought at least four other properties for a total of 209 acres in what is today Prince William Forest Park where it is believed he is buried. At least two of his sons are buried in this same park in different cemeteries and have inscribed tombstones. All three are buried within about one and a half miles of each other.



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*Department of Health*

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DIRECTOR AND STATE REGISTRAR

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RICHMOND, VA 23218-1000

**Your request for the following certificate(s) cannot be filled due to the reason(s) checked below:**

☐ *birth*

☒ *death*

☐ *marriage*

☐ *divorce*

**Name:** *JAMES FLORENCE (FLORANCE) JR.*

- ☐ No record was found during the period of . Your fee covers the \$8.00 per copy or per search if no record is found required by Virginia law.
- ☒ No record was found in the city or county of *Prince William*, during the period of *1890-1896*. For deaths occurring between 1853 and 1896 there is a fee of \$8.00 for a three year search of one city or county or a one year search for three counties or cities.
- ☐ There was no law for the registration of births from 1896 through June 14, 1912. No record was found in our delayed registrations. Your fee covers the \$8.00 per copy or per search if no record is found as required by Virginia Law.
- ☐ There are no records prior to 1853. A refund of the fee is enclosed.
- ☐ There was no law for the registration of deaths from 1896 through June 14, 1912. A refund of the fee is enclosed.
- ☐ The requested record is for a fetal death or stillbirth. There are no birth nor death certificates on file for fetal deaths. You may wish to contact the medical facility or attending physician for an abstract of the medical record.
- ☐ The death records for the year(s) \_ in the city or county of \_ are missing. A refund of the fee is enclosed.
- ☐ The event did not occur in Virginia. You should write to the address shown below. A refund of the fee is enclosed.

Christine Rivers

January 13, 1998

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**Known Children - James, JR. & Amanda:**

- 1- James Newton Florence** - born circa 1829 - married Eugenia Thomas - born circa 1830

**Known Children - James & Eugenia**

- a - Sarah E.** - born circa 1851 - married James Rison on 2/10/1874 when she was 23 and he was 28 (Book 1, Page 9, Line 49).

**Known Children - Sarah & James**

**a - Martha** - born circa 1875

**b - H. Leroy** - no year available

**c - Henry F.** - born circa 1877

**d - William T.** - born 3/1886

**e - Amanda V.** - born 1/1890

**f - Arthur W.** - born 2/1895

**b— Anna Florence** - born 1853 - married John Frank Rison, brother of James Rison and son of John Sr. and Nancy Rison on 7/18/1872, when she was 18 and he was 34 (Book 1, Page 8, Line 18). Anna and John divorced and John married Catherine Davis he was 46 and she was 20, seems John liked younger women.

**c - Charles H.** - born circa 1856 and married Willie G. Byrne, the daughter of T. W. and C.A. Byrne in Fauquier County, Virginia on 2/24/1883 (book 7, page 184).

**d - James Addison Florence** - born 6/20/1858 died 5/27/1915. He married his first cousin Mattie Florence, daughter of William H. and Mary Florence in 12/1889 (Book, 1, Page 25, line 30). Mattie was six months pregnant with Sarah when she married James A. Both are buried at Pohick Church. In 1945, when his wife, Mattie died James was moved from his original grave place in Prince William County with his tombstone to the Pohick Church Cemetery, and buried next to Mattie and their daughter, Sarah Briggs. James was the originally buried at Greenwood Presp. Church.

## COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS

## CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE

DATE OF MARRIAGE: DECEMBER 1889

PLACE OF MARRIAGE: PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA

HUSBANDWIFE

NAME: JAS. A. FLORANCE

MATTIE V. FLORENCE

RACE: WHITE

WHITE

AGE: 30

22

SINGLE, WIDOWED,  
OR DIVORCED: SINGLE

SINGLE

BIRTHPLACE: PRINCE WILLIAM CO., VA

PRINCE WILLIAM CO., VA

RESIDENCE: PRINCE WILLIAM CO., VA

PRINCE WILLIAM CO., VA

PARENTS: *James* and EUGENIA  
FLORANCEWM. H. and M. V.  
FLORENCE

OCCUPATION: FARMER

CEREMONY  
PERFORMED BY: H. SIELOIR

REPORTED BY: E. NELSON

CLERK OF: CIRCUIT COURT, PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA

PAGE: 315

LINE: 42

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# COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS

H. D. V. S. - Form No. 12, 200M. - 4-15-17.

1. PLACE OF DEATH.

County of Pr. Wm  
 District of Dumfries  
 or  
 Inc. Town of \_\_\_\_\_  
 or  
 City of \_\_\_\_\_

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

Registration District No. 762.0  
 Primary Registration District No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (No. \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_)

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA  
 STATE BOARD OF HEALTH  
 Bureau of Vital Statistics

File No. 12464  
9  
 Registered No. \_\_\_\_\_

(If death occurred in a Hospital or Institution give its NAME instead of street and number.)

2. FULL NAME James Addison Florence Residence In City \_\_\_\_\_ Yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ Mos. \_\_\_\_\_ Days \_\_\_\_\_

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3 SEX Male 4 COLOR OR RACE White 5 SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED, (Write the word) Married

6 DATE OF BIRTH June 20, 1858  
 (Month) (Day) (Year)

7 AGE 56 yrs. 11 mos. 7 ds. If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.?

8 OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Farmer  
 (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) \_\_\_\_\_

9 BIRTHPLACE (State or Country) Pr. Wm. Co., Va.

10 NAME OF FATHER Newton Florence

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or Country) Pr. Wm. Co., Va.

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Engena Florence

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or Country) Pr. Wm. Co., Va.

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

(Informant) Sarah L. Florence  
 (Address) Minerva Va

15 Filed May 29, 1915 L. C. Browner  
 LOCAL REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH May 27, 1915  
 (Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from May 1, 1914, to May 27, 1915 that I last saw him alive on May 24, 1915 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 7<sup>25</sup> p.m. The CAUSE OF DEATH \* was as follows:  
Chronic Brights.

(Duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.

Contributory (SECONDARY) (Duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.

(Signed) L. L. Starkweather M. D. May 28, 1915 (Address) Ocoquan, Va.

\*State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or, in deaths from VIOLENT CAUSES, state (1) MEANS OF INJURY; and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL or HOMICIDAL.

18 LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (For Hospitals, Institutions, Transients, or recent Residents) At place of death \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds. In the State \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds. Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death? Former or usual Residence \_\_\_\_\_

19 PLACE OF BURIAL Minerva Va DATE OF BURIAL May 29, 1915

20 UNDERTAKER Wm. L. Browner ADDRESS Ocoquan Va

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**Known Children of James Addison & Mattie:**

**a - Grace L. Florence** - born 9/17/1893, married James R. Woodyard, son of James & Mildred Woodyard, born 8/3/1896 and died 3/27/1986, and married on 2/27/1918, she was 24 and he was 22 (Book 1, Page 65, Line 27). Both are buried in the cemetery at Greenwood Primitive Baptist Church, a very well kept cemetery.

**b - Ethel M. Florence** - born 1904, married William M. Arnold born in the 1900, and married on 12/15/1922 (Book 1, Page 71, Line 49). She was 18 and he was 22. Both are buried at Pohick Church.

**c - Sarah V. Florence** - born 3/15/1890 married E. M. Briggs from New York on 10/14/1915 (Book 1, Page 62, Line 36). She was 25 and he was 47. I was told recently by my 3<sup>rd</sup> cousin Gordon Florence that lives on Lake Jackson Drive, Manassas, Virginia, now in his 80's that he remembered Sarah as a plump and very kind lady who gave him candy as a child. Sarah divorced Briggs and ran the Williams Ordinary in Dumfries for many years. She is buried at Pohick Church. This is a very well kept cemetery since the 1700s. Buried next to her is her Mother, Father, her sister Ethel and her husband, William Arnold.

**e - Edgar Snowden Florence** - born 1863 died 2/8/1925 in Alexandria, Virginia at the age of 62. Died of a cerebral hemorrhage. He lived at 232 N. Alfred Street, Alexandria, VA, and is buried at Bethel Cemetery in Alexandria. (Ref. Alexandria Death Records 1912-1937). His wife is unknown, however according to the 1900 census records he was listed as head of the household living in Prince William County with his mother, Eugenia and a niece Mary Warring.

**Known Children - Edgar Snowden Florence:**

**a - Henry Snowden Florence** - born 9/10/1913 died 12/16/1930 and is buried in Bethel Cemetery, Alexandria, VA.

**b - John William Florence** - born 8/14/1915

**f - Stonewall Jackson Florence** - born 8/24/1863 died 1/8/1917. He married Emma Burch, daughter of Priscilla & Thomas Burch in November 1882. He was 19 and she was 21. (Book 1, Page 18, Line 41) AKA Jackson died while working at his sawmill at the age of 55, and is buried (no tombstone) at Bellehaven Baptist Church. I don't know if his wife Emma is buried there. The church is now gone, but the cemetery is very well kept. Information was from his obituary column. He was also a coach and wagon builder. In the 1900 census records Jackson and Emma were living with their son Raymond at 306 Prince Street, Alexandria, VA (info was by his brother, Edgar Snowden Florence).

**Known Children Stonewall & Emma:**

**Willie Florence** - born 8/12/1883

**Raymond Florence** - born 7/1/1884 lived on Dumfries Road (Rte. 234) very close to what is known today as the Montclair Community. At the age of 20 he married his first wife Mary R. Carroll, daughter of J. P. Carroll on 12/10/1903 (Book 1, Page 43, Line 45). He divorced her and married his second wife, Rosa Rainey age 36 when he was 36 on 9/18/1920 (Book 1, Page 69, Line 15).

**8 - George Flourance, Jr.** - born circa 1753 died circa 1822 - Will Book L, Page 412 and inventory Book L, Page 446, 5/6/1822. His wife's was Eve - born circa 1778 date of death unknown. They lived on the property of George, Sr., and are believed to be buried at the Old Flourance Home Place located on the corner of present day Dumfries Road (Rte. 234), and Prince William Parkway.

**Known Children of George, Jr., and Eve:**

**a - Elizabeth** - born circa 1796 - married to Joseph Petty. She is mentioned in her father's will as being deceased by 1822 (Will Book L, Page 412).

**b - Judith** - born circa 1798

**c - Polly** - born circa 1797 - married Mr. Cockrell.

**d - Susanna** - born circa 1799 - married Mr. Holderfield. She is also mentioned in her grandfather, George Sr.'s will.



**K** NOW all Men by these Presents, That We *Thomas Harrison* Jr. —  
*Geo. Florence* Cathbert *Harrison* and *Wm. Lee* —  
are held and firmly bound to *Henry Lee* *Henry Peyton* *Thomas Lee*  
*John Lee* *James Lee*

Gent. Justices of the Court of *Prince William* County, now  
sitting, in the Sum of *five* *one thousand pounds* —

To the  
Payment whereof well and truly to be made to the said Justices, and their Successors, we  
bind ourselves, and each of us, our and each of our Heirs, Executors, and Administra-  
tors, jointly and severally, firmly by these Presents. Sealed with our Seals, this 2<sup>d</sup> —  
Day of *Sept* — in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and  
*seventy one* and in the *Eleventh* Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord  
GEORGE the ~~Second~~ *Third*

THE Condition of this Obligation is such, That if the above bound *Thomas Harrison*  
*Geo. and George Florence Jr* —  
Last Will and Testament of *Norman Sumner* — Executors of the  
Deceased, do make, or  
cause to be made, a true and perfect Inventory of all and singular the Goods, Chattels and  
Credits of the said Deceased, which have, or shall come to the Hands, Possession or  
Knowledge of the said *Thomas Harrison and George Florence*  
or into the Hands and Possession of any other Person or Persons  
for *them* — and the same so made, do exhibit into the County Court of *Prince*  
*William* at such Time as *they* shall be thereunto required by the said Court; and  
the same Goods, Chattels, and Credits, and all other the Goods, Chattels, and Credits of  
the said Deceased, which at any Time after shall come to the Hands, Possession, or Know-  
ledge of the said *Thomas & George* or into the Hands and Possession of any  
other Person or Persons for *them* do well and truly administer according to Law:  
And further do make a true and just Account of *their* — Actings and Doings there-  
in, when thereto required by the said Court; and also, shall well and truly pay and deliver  
all the Legacies contained and specified in the said Testament, as far as the said Goods,  
Chattels and Credits, will thereunto extend, and the Law shall charge: Then this  
Obligation to be void and of none Effect, or else to remain in full Force and Virtue.

Sealed and Delivered }  
in the Presence of }  
*The Court*

*Thos. Harrison Jr*  
*George Florence Jr*  
*Wm. Lee*  
*John Lee*  
*James Lee*

#### Reference:

Prince William Court House Bond Book Index 1753-1786 dated September 2, 1771.

George, Jr. was the great grandson of the 1<sup>st</sup> William to arrive in America from England.

Henry Lee an attorney was the grandfather of Civil War General Robert E. Lee



**e- Roland** - born circa 1795- married Nancy Cockrell born circa 1790 and died 10/12/1855, in her obituary column it mentions Roland as consort of and her son, James born 1821. James never married and was listed on census records as a farmer in Brentsville from 1860 to 1900. On the 1900 census James was 79 years old, spelled his name Flourance, and was living in the Coles District, which is located in the Independent Hill area. I assume that he died soon after because he was not on the 1910 census records. No birth/death certificates are available in Virginia between 1896-1912.

Soon after the death of George Jr., his sons, Roland, William, and their first cousin Samuel, Jr. (son of Joseph coming up in the next chapter) began buying hundreds of acres land. It appears not only did George, Jr. leave his children quite a lot of land, they were pretty well off financially. For about ten years after the death of George, Jr., the Prince William land deeds are littered with these sons and nephew Samuel, Jr. Later in the this book, you will see every land deed record recorded to and from Prince William Florences, as well as heirs, accounts and inventories.

**f - William Isaac Florance** - child of George & Eve. I saved him for last as there is more extensive information. William was born circa 1800 and his accounts were recorded in 1832, Will Book N, Page 445. He married circa 1825 Nancy (Ann L.) Mankin, daughter of Benjamin & Catherine French born circa 1803 in Loudoun County, Virginia. Both are believed to be buried at the Old Flourance Home Place on Dumfries Road. Their son James was the last owner of the 64 acres left of the original Old Flourance Home Place, and sold it to Alex Libeau for \$450 including the dwellings in 1892.

Isaac is mentioned in many documents in the census, library and Prince William Court records. He is the only Isaac mentioned in the 1800s in Prince William County. Because of his children names I feel Isaac is the middle name of William, the son of George and Eve. I am about 90% sure of this. I have found many Florences using their middle name instead of their first names.

Isaac is one of the brothers that after death of George, Jr., went on a buying spree for at least 10 years. Some of the land sales were among the brothers. Some of the land sales were with Henry Washington, William Hixson, Joshua Carney, Mr. Harding, Mr. Tubbs, Obed Cornwell and the lists just seemed to go on with names of families that still live in Prince William today.

Isaac's great grandfather was John Flourance who owned at least 787 acres on and around the Occoquan River, in the area known today as Lake Jackson on Dumfries Road (Rte. 234). This included the 434 acres from the land grant from Lord Thomas Fairfax in 1725.



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Name: ISAAC FLORENCE

ISAAC WAS 45 YRS OLD IN 1850.

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January 22, 1998

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### **Known Children of William Isaac & Ann:**

**a - John J. Florance** - born circa 1834 died 7/20/1896, at the Warring Farm of Consumption, which happens to be his sister, Sarah's house who was married to Cyrus Warring. It is not known whether he is buried with his sister on the Warring Farm or buried at the Old Flourance Cemetery, which is only one quarter of a mile apart.. He never married and lived with several of his relatives throughout his life including his nephew James W. Florance.

**b - Sarah Catherine Florance** - born circa 1829 married Cyrus Warring on 4/8/1858, son of Thomas & Lydia Warring. Sarah and Cyrus are both buried with his parents on McGrath Street in Lake Jackson in the backyard of a private residence.

**c- Marcus (Mark) Alexander Florance** - born circa 1840 died 2/12/1917. He was a Civil War Soldier, serving with Mosby's Partisans Rangers. He had heart trouble, but his listed cause of death was quoted as "froze to death" at the Godfrey Home Place in Manassas, Virginia. I could find no records indicating that either Marcus or his brother, John ever married. Marcus's accounts are listed Will Book Z, Page 175.

Mark was very careful with planning his future and even had the iron fence erected around the oldest part of the Old Flourance Cemetery that came from Cincinnati, Ohio for \$84.75. He paid Mr. Hottle \$75.00 to erect his tombstone after his death. If this was done the stone is gone today. In 1920, when his will was processed this would have been a sizeable stone for that price. There are two rows of sandstone graves outside the iron fence. It is believed that these are the children of most of the Flourance's that lived on the home place. It is also thought by many that they might be slaves and/or civil war soldiers, as well.

While cleaning up the graveyard, unattended for at least 80 years, I found another grave site approximately 60 feet from the fenced in graves. Laying a few inches under the soil I unearthed a sandstone with the only inscription on any of the stones in this cemetery found so far. The inscription reads "J.W. Sr. Flour \_\_\_\_" last part is broken off of the sandstone and there is no date. The last owner of the property where this cemetery is located was James W. Florance, and the stone that I found could be his. But in all likelihood the stone because of the spelling Flourance it could also be James W. Flourance, Sr., born 1757 died 1832.

Juliet Virginia (Hixon) wife of James Flourance the last owner of the property who died eighteen months prior, according to her obituary 1910 she is buried in this cemetery. I was not able to find a stone for her to support this. I am convinced because of the spelling of Flourance on the stone that it belongs to James W. Flourance, Sr. This James is my great, great, great, grandfather, the son of George, Sr. and Newman.

### Continuing the Known Children - William Isaac & Ann

**d - Benjamin Mankin Flourance** - born 4/13/1836 died 10/22/1890. (CSA) Notes on his Civil War service are in the Civil War Soldiers section in this book. He married Lousia M. Cannon born 2/2/1835 died 10/9/1926 on 5/21/1867 when he was 31 and she was 32 (Book 1, Page 3, Line 16). Lousia was the daughter of George & Sarah Cannon. Benjamin and Lousia had a daughter named Nora Belle. Benjamin, Lousia and their daughter, Nora are all buried in the Manassas City Cemetery.

Before the War Between The States, Benjamin was a carpenter and after the war he ran a confectionary store in Manassas, Virginia.

Benjamin's middle name was from his mother, Ann Mankin's maiden name. Lousia was the oldest living Flourance I could find in Prince William during the 1800s. She was 91.

### Known Children of Benjamin & Lousia

**a - Nora Bell Flourance** - 10/6/1871 - 12/3/1895

**e - George N. Flourance** - born circa 1827 died ABT 1909 - was a boot maker (Will Book W, Page 560) married Mariah (Maria) L. Moore - born circa 1830 date of death unknown, when he was 25 and she was 23.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Wife - Laura M. French** - daughter of David Brawner & Caroline French - born circa 1839 died 3/30/1920, according to her obituary in the Manassas Democrat Newspaper she died at the home of Mrs. C. E. Brawner. She had a fall three weeks before that apparently hastened her death.

When George married Laura he was 51 and she was 40 (book 1, page 20, line 41). I believe that George's middle name came from his great grandmother, Newman. George and Laura are both buried at Manassas City Cemetery, seventy-five feet from his brother, Benjamin M. Flourance. The tombstone in the cemetery only has Laura's name engraved on it.



I wanted to see if  
Boris M. Florance  
LSP name was  
was I state - missing  
I state - missing  
A middle name!



B.M. Florance - 4/13/1896  
Died - 10/22/1896  
mailed - 10/22/1896

5/21/1897  
B - 2/2/1895  
D - 10/21/1896  
T.F.!

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Name: BENJAMIN M. FLORANCE or FLORENCE

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- ☒ No record was found in the city or county of Prince William, during the period of 1887-1892. For deaths occurring between 1853 and 1896 there is a fee of \$8.00 for a three year search of one city or county or a one year search for three counties or cities.
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February 2, 1999

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**Known Children of George & Mariah Moor:** (Note: he had no children with Laura)

**1 - William L** ( probably named after his grandfather, William Isaac) - born 1/15/1855 died 1/5/1908 - married Georgiana W. Boroman - born 3/23/1862 died 6/16/1951 (Book 1, Page 42, Line 40). William was a railroad engineer.

Twenty-two months after William died at the age of 43 Georgiana married David F. Bowman, age 40 on 11/3/1909 (Book 1, Page 52, Line 37).

**Known Children of William & Georgianna:**

**a- Mabel L. Florence** - born 9/1889 married Charles H. Wine, Sr., son of Charles & V. E. Wine on 9/29/1909 (Book 1, Page 52, line 30).

**Known Children of Mabel & Charles:**

**1- Charles Wine, Jr.** - born 5/5/1923 died 5/14/1975 married Margarette born 2/21/1921 died 5/15/1995

**b - Raymond M. Florence** - born 9/1896

**c - Still born son** 12/20/1891

**d - William L. Florence** - died 8/15/1892 at the age of 6 months from a spinal infection.

**e - Benjamin Florence** - according to the 1910 census records was living with David Bowman.

(Note: William L., Georgianna, Mabel & Charles are buried next to each other at the Manassas City Cemetery.)

**2 - Helen M. Florence** - born 3/1857 - never married.

**3 -Serrill Holland Florence, Sr.** - born 1/6/1865 died 4/11/1943 in Charlottesville, Virginia.

**F -James W. Florance** - born circa 1828 at the age of 25 married 24 year old Juliet Virginia Hixson, the daughter of Moses & Jane Hixson on 1/31/1855. Two uncles, Mark and John, brothers of William Isaac were living with James & Juliet according to the 1880 census records. I could not establish if Mark or John ever married. James died sometime around December 1908. Virginia died of Brights Disease at the age of 80, on 2/10/1910, and is buried at the Flourance Home Place Cemetery in the area that was known as Bradley in the 1800's. I assume James is buried there also.

**Known Children of James W. & Juliet:**

**1 -Charles H.** - born in Fauquier County in 1866 (Book 7, Page 184)

**2 - Julia F.** - born 2/28/1858 - married Joseph W. Hixson son of Thomas & Martha Hixson on 12/15/1882 (Book 1, Page 19, Line 8). Both are buried at the Hixson/Carter Cemetery.

**3 - James** - born circa 1860

**4 - Sarah E.** - born 1862 still living at home according to the 1900 census records with her parents at the age of 38.

**5 -Joseph Benjamin Florance** - born 9/27/1863 died 4/5/1908 AKA Benjamin - married Ella V. Muddiman on 6/21/1893 the daughter of Jacob & Hester Muddiman (Book 1, Page 19, Line 1). Ella was born 11/22/1861 and died 7/27/1943. Both are buried at Manassas City Cemetery with their children. On Joseph's tombstone his name is listed as Benjamin.

**Known Children of Joseph & Ella:**

**a - Viola F.** - born circa 1894 - 1895

**b - Ruth M.** - born 12/5/1897 died 9/27/1911 at the age of 14 from Typhoid Fever.

**6 - Susan V.** - born 3/3/1865

**7 - Ruth** - born circa 1867

**8 -Still Born** - 11/15/1866

**9 -Annie** - born circa 1869 - married Walter Langford, a painter on 1/14/1915 (Book 1, Page 61, Line 33)

This is the final generation line of William Isaac and Ann Mankin.

### **Back to James & Amanda's Other Children:**

**2 - William H. Florence - (CSA) 2<sup>nd</sup>** child of James & Amanda born circa 1830 died 5/21/1897 near "Voy" which is close to Independent Hill, Virginia, and he is buried with a marked stone at the Watson homeplace in present day Prince William Forest Park. He married Mary V. born circa 1857, her date of death is unknown. A Civil War muster roll is included further in the book on William.

### **Known Children of William & Mary:**

**a - Emma M. Florence** - born circa 1859 married John Davis, son of Elizabeth Davis on 8/16/1879 when she was 20 and he was 26 (Book 1, Page 15, Line 7).

**b - Daughter** born circa 1860 died 2 days later (Ref. Prince William death reference book 1853-1896).

**c - Sarah** born 9/27/1871

**d - Still Born Daughter** - 6/1857

**e - Martha (Mattie) Virginia** - born circa 1868 married her first cousin, James Addison Florence on 12/2/1889 (Book 1, Page 25, Line 30). Their information is under James Addison - parents listed prior in this book with their children.

**f - James Jefferson** - born circa 1864 married Alice Watts, daughter of Elizabeth Watts from Alexandria, Virginia on 9/16/1887 when he was 23 and she was 24 (Book 1, Page 23, Line 14).

### **Known Children of James & Alice:**

**1 - Lillian** - born circa 1893 married Aubrey Keys the son of Arthur and Rose Keys born circa 1887 on 1/7/1909 (Book 1, Page 51, Line 41).

### **Known Child of Lillian & Aubrey:**

**Daniel Keys** - born circa 1899

**2 - Frederick** - born circa 1905 married Blanda Allison daughter of William and Minnie on 3/1/1926 when they were both 21 (Fauquier Marriage Book 1906-1939, Page 103).





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**Name:**      **WILLIAM H. FLORENCE**

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June 23, 1998

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**g - George H. Florence** - born 1865 died 1927 from a ruptured aortic artery. He married Emma Jones, born circa 1869 on 3/22/1894 (Book 1, Page 29, Line 47) when he was 29 and she was 21. Emma was the former wife of John Jones and the daughter of Civil War Veteran Shirley Jones. Emma sold 91 acres for \$1,100 to T. E. Didlake in 1936.

**Known Child - George & Emma:**

**John L. Florence 1900-1937**

George, Emma and their son John are buried side by side in the Oakridge (Jones) Cemetery in Prince William Park. Emma outlived her son and with George already deceased no one every engraved her date of death on her tombstone. She died 6/1/941 at her home in the Town of Dumfries, Virginia.

**h - William E. Florence** - born 5/1858 married Jennetta (Nettie) Love the daughter of Peter and Permelia Love born circa 1863 on 1/18/1880 (Book 1, Page 15, Line 43). He was 21 and she was 17. Death records indicate that William had an illness for approximately four weeks before his death. Both are buried at the Dumfries Methodist Church City Cemetery. Their home was located on Spriggs Road near Dale City, Virginia.

**Known Children of William and Jennetta (Nettie):**

**1 - Still born male** - 12/20/1891

**2 - Permelia** - born 8/3/1890

**3 - William Leonard** - 1/21/1886 - moved to Pennsylvania

**4 - George H.** - born 6/15/1885

**5 - Mrs. Arthur G. McMillan** - born circa 1889 - in William E. Florence's obituary column Mrs. Arthur G. McMillan was listed as his daughter.

**6 - Lee Starkweather Florence** - born circa 1902 married Ida Bell Oden on 1/3/1921 when he was 19 and she was 18 (Book 1, Page 69, Line 39).

**7 - Mary J.** - born 7/20/1888 married James W. Baltzel on 6/10/1907 (Book 1, Page 49, Line 3).

# CERTIFICATION OF VITAL RECORD

## COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS

### 1. PLACE OF DEATH

COUNTRY Colo  
 MAGISTRAL DISTRICT OF Colo  
 OR  
 INC. TOWN OF  
 OR  
 CITY OF

### CERTIFICATE OF DEATH COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

23905

REGISTRATION DISTRICT NO. 753B REGISTERED NO. 4  
 (TO BE INSERTED BY REGISTRAR) (FOR USE OF LOCAL REGISTRAR)

(If death occurred in a hospital or other institution, give its NAME instead of street and number)

### 2. FULL NAME George Florence

(a) RESIDENCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_ ST. \_\_\_\_\_ WARD. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Usual place of abode) (If apartment give city or town and State)  
 Length of residence in city or town where death occurred yrs. mos. ds. How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.

### PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3 SEX Male 4 COLOR OR RACE White 5 SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED Married

6a. IF MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED HUSBAND OF (or) WIFE OF Emma Florence

6 DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY, AND YEAR, WRITE NAME OF MONTH)

7 AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS IF LESS THAN 1 DAY, \_\_\_\_\_ HRS. OR \_\_\_\_\_ MIN.

### 8 OCCUPATION OF DECEASED

(a) TRADE, PROFESSION, OR PARTICULAR KIND OF WORK Farmer  
 (b) GENERAL NATURE OF INDUSTRY, BUSINESS, OR ESTABLISHMENT IN WHICH EMPLOYED (OR EMPLOYER)  
 (c) NAME OF EMPLOYER

### 9 BIRTHPLACE

(CITY OR TOWN) Massachusetts R.F.D. No. 4  
 (STATE OR COUNTRY)

10 NAME OF FATHER John Florence

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER

(CITY OR TOWN) Or  
 (STATE OR COUNTRY)

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Unknown

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER

(CITY OR TOWN) Unknown  
 (STATE OR COUNTRY)

14 SIGNATURE OF REGISTRAR L. J. Coates

15 PLACE OF DEATH Massachusetts R.F.D. No. 4

### MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY, AND YEAR, WRITE NAME OF MONTH) Oct 27 1928

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I ATTENDED DECEASED FROM Oct 27 1928 TO Oct 27 1928

THAT I LAST SAW HIM ALIVE ON Oct 27 1928

AND THAT DEATH OCCURRED, ON DATE STATED ABOVE, AT 10 AM

THE CAUSE OF DEATH WAS AS FOLLOWS:

Rupture aortic artery

91

(DURATION) YES NO OR

CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) Age

(DURATION) YES NO OR

18 WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED

IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH

DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? No DATE OF

WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? No

WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS? Visual Test

(SIGNED) A. C. Chris

10/27/28 (ADDRESS) Amherst Or

19 DISEASE CAUSING DEATH - Is it a VIOLENT CAUSE? (1) MEANS AND NATURE OF INJURY, and (2) ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL, or HOMICIDAL

19 PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR RE- MOVAL DATE OF BURIAL

Family grave yard Oct 29

20 UNDERTAKER John H. Coates

ADDRESS Massachusetts R.F.D. No. 4

This is to certify that this is a true and correct reproduction or abstract of the official record filed with the Virginia Department of Health, Richmond, Virginia.

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Deborah Little-Bowser, State Registrar

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### Known Children - Mary J. and James:

a - Richard Baltzell - born circa 1914

**2 - Benjamin F. Florence (CSA)** - 3<sup>rd</sup> child of James & Amanda born 8/14/1836 died 4/3/1885 of consumption.. He married Lavinia (Alice) Lynn, daughter of Leroy W. and Malvinia (Thomas) Lynn in Washington, DC on 5/21/1866, when he was 29 and she 15. Alice was born 9/15/1850 and died 12/2/1914 of aortic insufficiency. Benjamin and Alice are buried on their old home place called "Copeland" named after the Copen family who was my father's (Irvin) first wife Elise Copen's line. Benjamin was my great grandfather. His civil war information is listed with the Civil War Florences in this book.

*Benjamin's homeplace was in present day Prince William Park. He is buried with wife, Alice, daughter Lucy (never married) who died at the age of 20. Their son Irvin called "Earnest" died at 14 months of age of convulsions and their grandson Ralph died at the age of 2 months. Ralph was the son of John Merideth Florence. They all have dated tombstones.*

After their marriage Benjamin and Alice moved back to Prince William and bought a 130 acre farm for \$300 where they now rest. He filed the newly approved Virginia Assembly Homestead Act in October the same year. In 1881 Benjamin and Alice sold a half acre to the Dumfries School District to build a one room school house, which the concrete foundation is still standing today. It was known as the Thornton School House. One of their sons, Joseph ran a store at this location until 1937 when the Navy department took 50,000 acres and carved out Quantico Marine Base and approximately 18,000 acres went to the making of what is known today as Prince William Forest Park. Joseph moved to the Town of Dumfries and made his home next door to the store he ran until his death in which his son Paul still lives today. Joseph was paid \$3,207.00 for 320 acres. If you did not sell your property it was condemned by the war department and you had to move. This was how Prince William Forest Park and Quantico Marine Base was formed. Our government at work again!

Benjamin died within three weeks after filing his will. He left all of his property to his wife (Book T, Page 515). Alice filed her will and left her daughter, Nannie 120 acres. Nannie never married and is buried at Greenwood Baptist Church.

The James Florence from Prince William that served in the War of 1812 was Benjamin's father.

### Known Children of Benjamin & Alice:

a - **Manuel** - born circa 1875.



Superior Court of the District of Columbia

Certificate of Issuance of Marriage License

(Without Returns)

The Clerk of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, does hereby certify that the records of said Court show that a marriage license was issued to

Benjamin Florence

and Alice L. Lynn

on the 21st day of May, 1866.

I further certify that prior to June 1, 1870, the laws of the District of Columbia did not require officiating clergymen to make returns of marriages solemnized by them, and that no such returns are of record.

In testimony whereof, I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of said Court at the City of Washington this 18th day of November, 1997.

CLERK OF THE COURT

By

Deputy Clerk

BENJAMIN F. FLORENCE WILL  
(BK) T-(P)-515

In the Name of God Amen

3/19/1885 PRINCE WILLIAM  
COURT HOUSE

I Benjamin F. Florence being of sound  
mind and having the uncertainty of life and having  
the fear of God before me do make this my last  
Will and Testament that is to say in the 1<sup>st</sup> place I  
desire that my funeral expenses shall be paid Also  
all honest and just debts due by me. 2<sup>nd</sup> I  
give and bequeath to Alice L. Florence my be-  
loved Wife all my Real and personal estate Consisting  
of the farm I now reside up on Popelands together  
with Horses, Wagon Cattle Hogs Farming  
implements household and Kitchen furniture, &c,  
with all other Appertinances, to have hold  
or otherwise dispose of as she may think best-

Given under my hand and Seal the 19<sup>th</sup>  
day of March 1885 Benjamin F. Florence <sup>his</sup> Seal  
mark

Signed Sealed and delivered in the  
presence of ✓ James H. Tolson  
✓ William H. <sup>his</sup> Florence }  
March 19<sup>th</sup> 1885 mark

" BENJAMIN DIED 3 WEEKS  
LATER

# COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS

## CERTIFICATION OF DEATH

Transcript of a record of death secured by the Commissioner of the Revenue between 1853 and 1896 as required by Chapter 104, Page 846, Section 21, Code of 1873, Acts of 1852, and now in the keeping of the Virginia Division of Vital Records, in accordance with Chapter 118, Page 226, Acts of 1918.

PLACE OF DEATH: PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA

LINE NUMBER: 34

NAME OF DECEASED: BENJ. F. FLORANCE

*Jim's  
GREAT GRAND FATHER*

RACE: WHITE

SEX: MALE

AGE: 52

DATE OF DEATH: APRIL 3, 1885

PLACE: PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VA

CAUSE OF DEATH: CONSUMPTION

NAME OF PARENTS: JAS. and AMANDA FLORANCE

BIRTHPLACE OF DECEASED: PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VA

OCCUPATION: FARMER

CONSORT OF: MARRIED

NAME OF INFORMANT: NOT STATED

RELATION OF INFORMANT: WIFE

COMMISSIONER OF THE REVENUE: JAMES M. BARBER

DATE RECORD FILED: BETWEEN 1885 and 1896

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# COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

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3-11-15  
GREAT  
CANDID  
MATTER

PLACE OF DEATH

## CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA  
STATE BOARD OF HEALTH  
Bureau of Vital Statistics

Registration District No. 7622

File No. 29017

Primary Registration District No. \_\_\_\_\_

Registered No. 21

(No. \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_)

(If death occurred in a Hospital or Institution give its NAME instead of street and number.)

FULL NAME Alice S. Florence

Residence In City \_\_\_\_\_ Yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ Mos. \_\_\_\_\_ Days \_\_\_\_\_

### PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

### MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

1 SEX Female 4 COLOR OR RACE White 5 SINGLE Widow  
~~MARRIED~~  
~~WIDOWED~~  
~~OR DIVORCED~~  
(Write the word)

16 DATE OF DEATH

Dec 2nd 1914  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

6 DATE OF BIRTH Aug 1 1850  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from

Aug 1, 1913, to Dec 2, 1914,  
that I last saw him alive on Dec 1, 1914

7 AGE 64 yrs. 1 day 5 hrs. or min.

and that death occurred, on the date stated above,  
at 8:30 a.m. The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:

8 OCCUPATION  
(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Housewife  
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)

Aortic insufficiency

9 BIRTHPLACE (State or Country) France Upper S. V.

(Duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.

10 NAME OF FATHER Ray S. Syms

Contributory (Secondary)

(Duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or Country) Pa. New Co.

(Signed) Edw. Starkweather  
Dec 3, 1914 (Address) Occoquan, Va.

12 NAME OF MOTHER Mahalia Thomas

While the Disease Caused Death, or, in deaths from Trauma, Cerebral, etc., state (1) Nature of Injury; and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDE, or HOMICIDE.

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or Country) Pa. New Co.

18 LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (For Hospitals, Institutions, Transients, or Boarding Houses) \_\_\_\_\_ In the \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

14 NAME OF DECEASED (If known) \_\_\_\_\_

Where was disease contracted, or was it given at birth? \_\_\_\_\_

15 NAME OF DECEASED (If known) \_\_\_\_\_

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL \_\_\_\_\_

16 NAME OF DECEASED (If known) \_\_\_\_\_

20 NAME OF DECEASED (If known) \_\_\_\_\_

17 NAME OF DECEASED (If known) \_\_\_\_\_

21 NAME OF DECEASED (If known) \_\_\_\_\_

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Robert Flourance of Arlington, VA - 6<sup>th</sup> cousin, me (Jim Florence, Sr.) in March 2000.

This is the foundation of a one room school house known as the Florence or Thornton Road School House. It was on Benjamin F. Florence's 130 acre tract, which he bought in 1871 for \$300.00.

Benjamin sold to the Dumfries, VA school board district a half acre of land in 1881 for \$2.50 to build this one room school house. I have a copy of the document..

**Location:** Burma Road (Prince William Forest Park). In the 1930's - 1940's the U. S. Government took 50,000 acres to build Quantico Marine Base, and approximately 18,000 acres of the 50,000 became Prince William Forest Park. When all of the residents were forced out, Benjamin's son Joseph B. Florence owned tracts 12-A, 12-B, 12-C and 12-D. He had 320 acres and was paid \$3,207.00 less than \$10.00 per acre in 1937. I also have a copy of this document. During the 1930's if you did not move the war department condemned your property. Does this seem fair to you?

Benjamin's brother William H. Florence, 1830-1896 is buried at the Watson Home Place, also located in the park. William's son George is buried at the Jones Cemetery also located in the park, with his wife Emma Jones and son, John L. Florence.

Florence, Alice L. f. mother birth: 9/15/1850      death: 1914 64 years		concrete	
		Mother Alice L. Florence Born Sept 15, 1850 Died Dec 2, 1914	A L F
		headstone	footstone

#### Florence I-c

Florence, Benjamin F. m. birth: 8/14/1836      death: 1885 48 years		concrete	
		Father Benjamin F. Florence Born Aug 14, 1836 Died April 3, 1885	B F F
		headstone	footstone

#### Oak Ridge (Jones) III-h

Florence, Emma f. wife of George H. birth: 1869      death: --- <i>stone erected by All Stone Memorials, Woodbridge, VA</i>		double headstone, rough surfaced granite	
		Florence George H 1865-1927 Emma V 1869-19__	footstone
		headstone	

#### Oak Ridge (Jones) III-h

Florence, George H. M. husband of Emma birth: 1865      death: 1927 62 YEARS <i>stone erected by All Stone Memorials, Woodbridge, VA</i>		double headstone, rough surfaced granite	
		Florence George H 1865-1927 Emma V 1869-19__	footstone
		headstone	

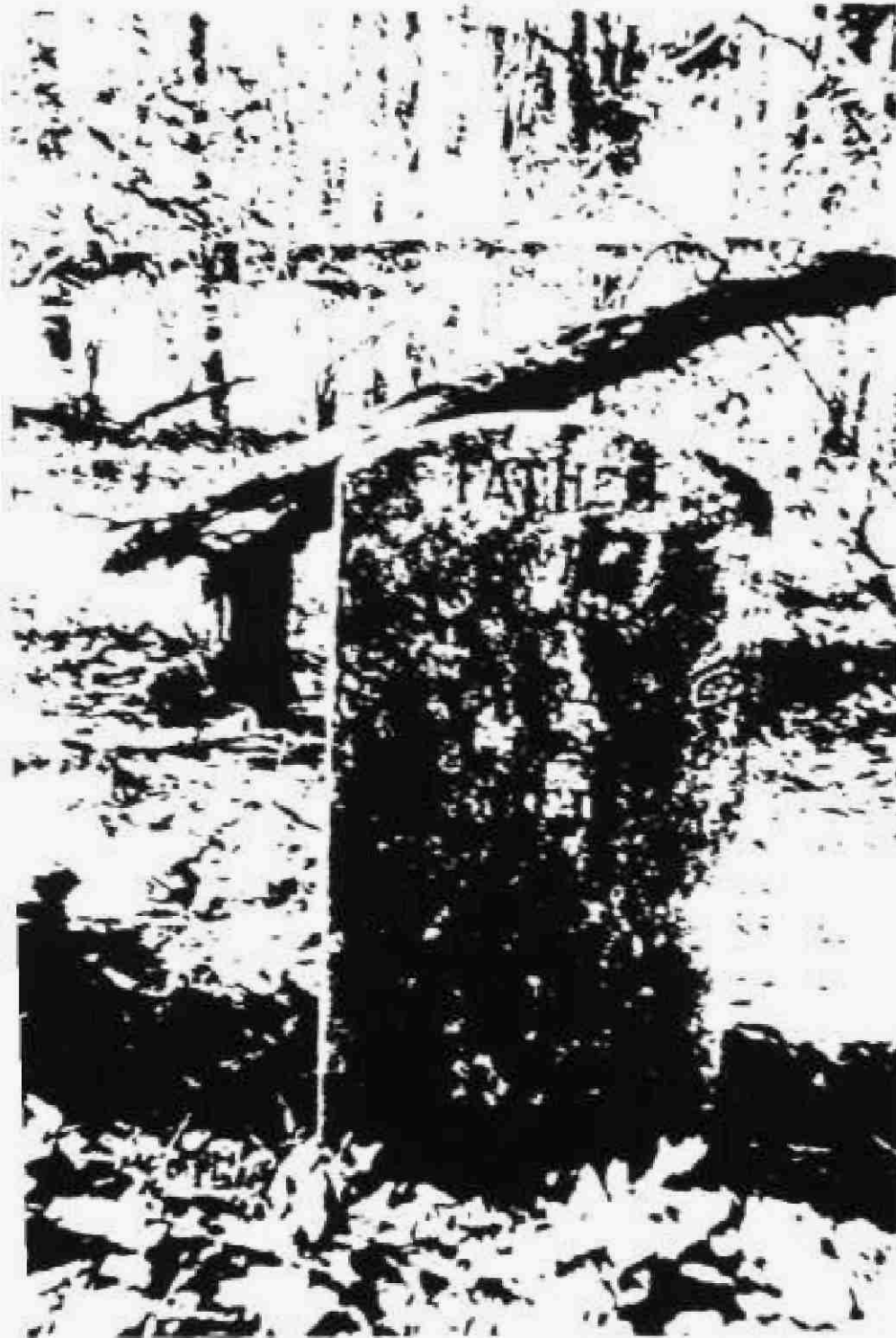
#### Florence I-c

Florence, Irvin m. birth: 9/28/1883      death: 1884 1 year		concrete	
		Irvin Florence Born Sept 28, 1883 Died Nov 8, 1884	I F
		headstone	footstone

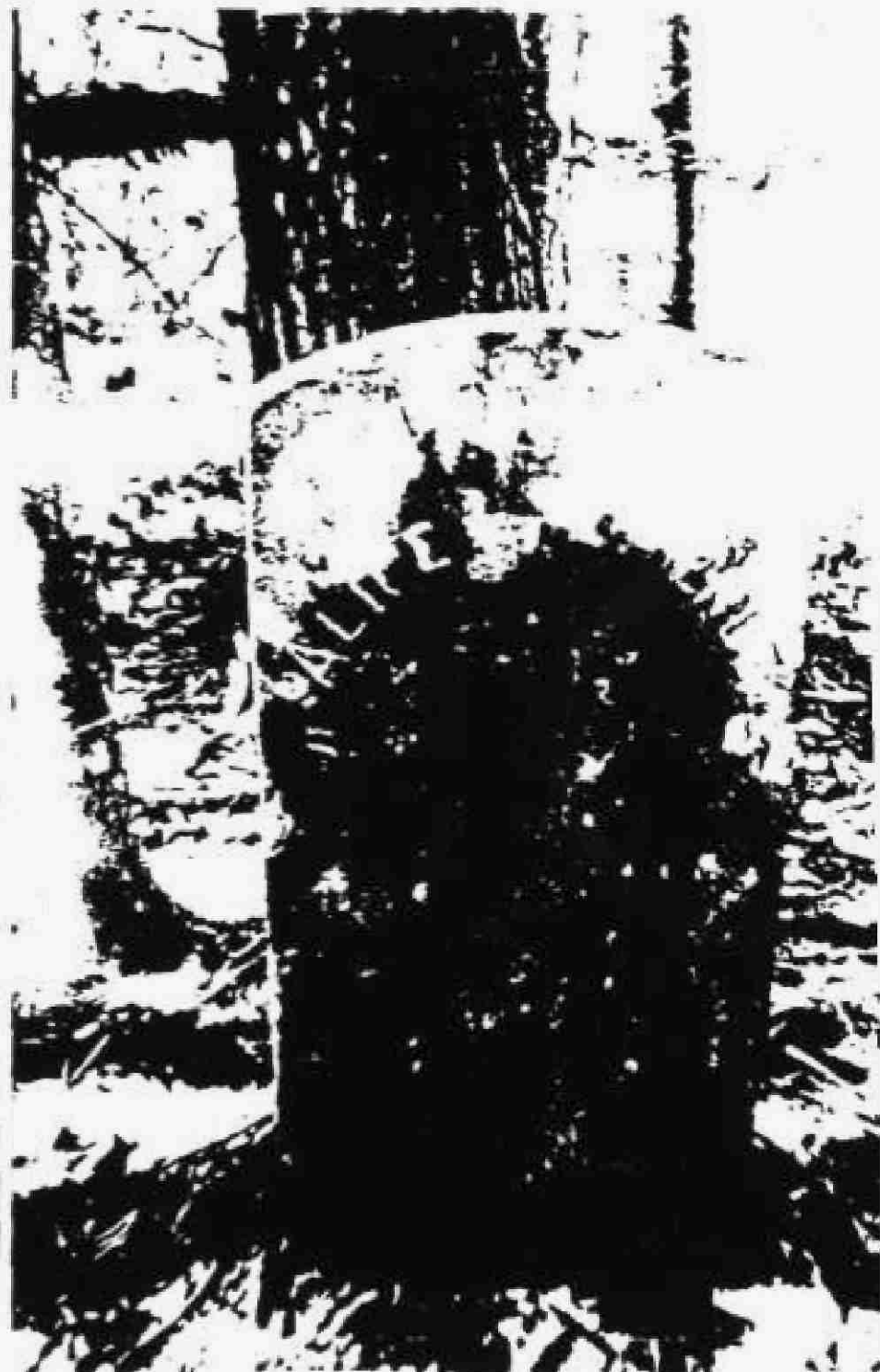
#### Oak Ridge (Jones) III-h

Florence, John L. M. birth: 1900      death: 1937 37 years		rough surfaced granite	
		John L. Florence 1900-1937	footstone
		headstone	

My Great Grandparents:



Benjamin F. Florence - 8/14/1836 - 4/3/1885



Alice L. Florence 9/15/1850-12/2/1914  
(Lavenia Alice Lynn)

**Location:** Burma Road - Prince William Florence Park. Buried with them are their daughter, Lucy K. Florence 3/27/1867 - 4/14/1887, their son Irvin Florence 9/28/1883 - 11/8/1884 and their grandson (son of John Merideth Florence) Ralph Audley Florence 6/15/1918 - 8/3/1918. All stones are readable but discolored.

Florence I-c

Florence, Lucy K.

f.

birth 3/12/1867

death 1887

20 years

concrete

Lucy K. Florence

Born

March 12, 1867

Died April 14, 1887

L. K. F.

footstone

headstone

Florence I-c

Florence, Ralph A.

m.

birth 6/15/1918

death 1918

1 month

concrete

Ralph A. Florence

Born

June 15, 1918

Died

Aug 2, 1918

R. A. F.

footstone

headstone

Florence (Watson 2) III-k

Florence, W.H.

birth 10/15/1830

death 1897

67 years

quartz or granite

W. H. Florence

Oct. 15, 1830

May 21, 1897

Gone, but not

forgotten.

W. H. F.

footstone

headstone





**b - Irvin L. (Earnest)** - born 9/28/1883 died 11/8/1884.

**c - Lucy K** - born 3/17/1867 died 4/14/1887 never married.

**d - James** - born 1878

**e - Still born** - 10/12/1870 (reference Prince William birth records 1853-1896).

**f - Nannie** - born 5/11/1877 died 3/10/1951- never married - buried at Greenwood Baptist Church.

**g - Minnie** - born 3/31/1878 died 9/1969 in Norfolk, Virginia - married Joseph Herbert and lived in Washington, DC.

**h - Joseph Benjamin** - born 10/3/1871 died 3/28/1950 - married Mary Copen daughter of Charles M. & Harriet (Lynn) Copen on 6/12/1901, when he was 30 and she was 19) Book I, Page 36 Line 43). Mary died 7/31/1965, *her and Joseph are buried in the Dumfries Methodist Church Cemetery*

**Known Children of Joseph Benjamin & Mary:**

1- **Bell M.** - born 3/28/1902

2 - **Milton J.** - born 2/6/1904

3 - **Manuel L.** - born 8/26/1906

4 - **Gordon L.** - born 5/2/1909

5 - **Aubrey W.** - born 1/18/1912

6 - **Minnie Mae** - born 11/1/1914

7 - **Owen F.** - born 11/26/1918

8 - **Paul** - born 3/23/1924

**i - Frederick C.** - born 7/13/1879 died 1/23/1942 of a cerebral hemorrhage. *He married Olive F. Comstock, not in Prince William but probably in Alexandria. Olive was born 2/24/1882, and died 8/22/1979. Both are buried at Ivy Hill Cemetery on King Street in Alexandria, Virginia.*

# COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS

## CERTIFICATION OF DEATH

Transcript of a record of death secured by the Commissioner of the Revenue between 1853 and 1896 as required by Chapter 104, Page 846, Section 21, Code of 1873, Acts of 1852, and now in the keeping of the Virginia Division of Vital Records, in accordance with Chapter 118, Page 226, Acts of 1918.

**PLACE OF DEATH:** PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA

**LINE NUMBER:** 24

**NAME OF DECEASED:** ERNEST L. FLORANCE

*Jim  
Great Uncle*

**RACE:** WHITE

**SEX:** MALE

**AGE:** 13 months, 11 days

**DATE OF DEATH:** NOVEMBER 8, 1884

**PLACE:** PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VA

**CAUSE OF DEATH:** CONVULSIONS

**NAME OF PARENTS:** BENJ. and ALICE FLORANCE

**BIRTHPLACE OF DECEASED:** PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VA

**OCCUPATION:** NOT STATED

**CONSORT OF:** UNMARRIED

**NAME OF INFORMANT:** ALICE FLORANCE

**RELATION OF INFORMANT:** MOTHER

**COMMISSIONER OF THE REVENUE:** JAMES M. BARBEE

**DATE RECORD FILED:** BETWEEN 1884 and 1896

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**Known Children of Frederick & Olive:**

1 - **Pauline D.** - born circa 1912

2 - **Earnest A.** - born circa 1914

3 - **Mabel Virginia** - born 12/21/1913

4 - **Edna Irene** - born 8/10/1907 died 5/20/1913 of meningitis. She is buried on Dulany Road at the Old Greenwood Presp. Church (now gone) no stone.

5 - **Willie H.** - born 6/5/1903 died 11/15/1998. He married Eva B. \_\_\_\_\_? Eva was born 8/8/1902 and died 1/1/1999. Both are buried at Ivy Hill Cemetery in Alexandria, VA. According to Eva's obituary she died in Florida.

j - **John Meredith** - (my grandfather) born circa 1874 died 1958. He married Lula M. Allister. She was born 11/17/1883 and died 2/15/1936. Lula was the daughter of Albert Lewis and Margaret (Murphy) McAllister. My father, Irvin, Sr., was their first child born 12/16/1903. John M. is buried with five of his children at Woodbine Baptist Church. Lula is buried with her mother Margaret and brother Rufus McAllister at Marshall Cemetery (Rte. 55). Albert is buried at the Confederate Section of Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, VA.

**Known Children of John & Lula:**

1 - **Irvin Lee** - born 12/16/1903 died 10/26/1962 from a stroke, and is buried at Woodbine Baptist Church Cemetery. He married his first wife Elsie Copen born 1906 died 2/21/1936 from a ruptured appendix, according to her death certificate. She is buried at Bellehaven Cemetery with no stone. Irvin married his second wife (my mother) Ella Mae Reedy in 1936. Ella Mae was born 11/7/1917, and currently lives at the Birmingham Green Nursing Home in Manassas, Virginia.

**Known Children of Irvin & Elsie:**

a - **Irvin Florence, Jr.** - born 2/25/1929 died from a heart attack 7/29/1997. He is buried in the Arlington National Cemetery.

**First Wife** - Christine - he had two children, James & Robert



Wedding of Kay Florence  
 John Meredith Florence - my grandfather  
 Groom - "  
 Kay Florence  
 Kay's mother Kitty  
 Kay's father Clarence



Wife of John Meredith Florence  
 Lula (McAllister) Florence at the age of 21 in 1904





Elsie (Copen) Florence  
Irvin Florence, Sr  
Irvin Florence, Jr  
1937



BEST MARRIES  
MAN HASBAND GEORGE

### LIBERACE

Elsie's sister Marie Copen married Walter Borsella - Liberace's concert master. Liberace was the best man and his brother George Liberace also attended the wedding. In this picture is Liberace, Walter and George



Middie - Irvin Florence, Sr. and  
Elsie (Copen) Florence at beach 1926

# COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - DIVISION OF VITAL RECORDS

Department of Commerce  
Bureau of the Census

## CERTIFICATE OF DEATH COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

Dr. Love

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State File No.

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Registered No.

### 1. PLACE OF DEATH

(a) County \_\_\_\_\_  
(b) Magisterial district \_\_\_\_\_  
(c) City or town Alexandria  
(d) Name of hospital or institution Alexandria Hospital  
(e) Length of stay in hosp. or inst. \_\_\_\_\_ in this community  
(Specify whether years, months, or days)  
(f) Is place of death within corporate limits? yes

Registration  
district No. 2020  
(For reg. use)

### 2. USUAL RESIDENCE OF DECEASED

(a) State Virginia  
(b) County Arlington  
(c) City or town \_\_\_\_\_  
(d) Street No. 4516-8th St. South  
(e) Is place of residence within corporate limits? no  
(f) If foreign birth, how long in U. S. At 0020 Years

### 3. (a) FULL NAME

Frederick C. Florence

2. (b) If veteran, name war \_\_\_\_\_  
3. (c) Social security number \_\_\_\_\_  
(Answer only if card is available)

4. Sex male 5. Color or race white 6. (a) Single, married, widowed, divorced, married

5. (b) Name of husband or wife Olive F. Florence

7. Date of birth of deceased July 13th, 1878  
(Month by name) (Day) (Year)

8. Age: Years 63 Months 6 Days 10  
If less than one day hours \_\_\_\_\_ min. \_\_\_\_\_

9. Birthplace Virginia  
(City, town, or county) (State or foreign country)

10. Usual occupation Fireman

### 11. Industry or business

12. Name Benjamin Florence  
13. Birthplace Virginia  
(City, town, or county) (State or foreign country)  
14. Maiden name Alice Lynn  
15. Birthplace Virginia  
(City, town, or county) (State or foreign country)

16. (a) Informant's own signature J. W. Florence

(b) Address 1004 Russell Road, N. Va.

17. (a) Burial, cremation, or removal burial

(b) Place Ivy Hill Date 1/26/42  
(Month by name) (Day) (Year)

Signature of Cunningham Funeral Home

(a) Funeral director Alexandria, Va.

(b) Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(c) Filed 1-26-1942 Virginia C. Caworth  
(Date received by reg.) (Issued, dated, or registered by registrar's own signature)

### MEDICAL CERTIFICATION

20. Date of death January 23 1942  
(Month by name) (Day) (Year) (Hour) 10

21. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from 11-15-38 to 1-23-1942; that I last saw him alive on 1-23-1942

and that death occurred on the date and hour stated above.

Immediate cause of death Cerebral Hemorrhage L. Duration 3 days

Due to Atherosclerosis & Hypertension and Myocardial Infarction

Other conditions Fibrillation and Heart Failure

(Exclude pregnancy within 3 months of death)

Name of operation 092B

Date of operation \_\_\_\_\_ Major findings: (a) of operations \_\_\_\_\_

(b) of autopsy 0

### 22. If death was due to external cause fill in the following:

(a) Accident, suicide, or homicide (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Date of occurrence \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Where did injury occur? \_\_\_\_\_ (City or town) \_\_\_\_\_ (County) \_\_\_\_\_ (State) \_\_\_\_\_

(d) Did injury occur in or about home, on farm, in industrial place, in public place? \_\_\_\_\_

(Specify type of place) \_\_\_\_\_ While at work? \_\_\_\_\_

(e) Means of injury \_\_\_\_\_

23. Signature J. W. Love M. D. Comm. \_\_\_\_\_

Address Alexandria, Virginia Date signed 1-23-42

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1 PLACE OF DEATH

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
 MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF \_\_\_\_\_  
 OR  
 INC. TOWN OF \_\_\_\_\_  
 OR Alexandria  
 CITY OF \_\_\_\_\_

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH  
 COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
 BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

REGISTRATION DISTRICT NO. 778 REGISTERED NO. 5-5  
 (TO BE INSERTED BY REGISTRAR) (FOR USE OF LOCAL REGISTRAR)  
 (No Alexandria Hospital ST. \_\_\_\_\_ WARD) \_\_\_\_\_

(If death occurred in a hospital or other institution, give its NAME instead of street and number)  
 Length of residence in city or town where death occurred \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds. How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.

2 FULL NAME Elsie H. Florence

(A) RESIDENCE NO. 52 Braddock Road ST. \_\_\_\_\_ WARD \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Usual place of abode) (If nonresident give city or town and State)

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX Female 4. COLOR OR RACE White 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED (write the word) Married

5A. IF MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED  
 HUSBAND OF Irvin L. Florence  
 (OR) WIFE OF \_\_\_\_\_

6. DATE OF BIRTH (month, day, and year)

7. AGE Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months \_\_\_\_\_ Days \_\_\_\_\_ If LESS THAN 1 DAY, \_\_\_\_\_ HRS. OR \_\_\_\_\_ MIN.

8. TRADE, PROFESSION, OR PARTICULAR KIND OF WORK DONE, AS SPINNER, SAWYER, BOOKKEEPER, ETC. Home

9. INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS IN WHICH WORK WAS DONE, AS SILE MILL, SAW MILL, BANK, ETC. \_\_\_\_\_

10. DATE DECEASED LAST WORKED AT \_\_\_\_\_ 11. TOTAL TIME (YEARS) THIS OCCUPATION (month and year) \_\_\_\_\_ SPENT IN THIS OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_

12. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) Virginia  
 (State or country)

13. NAME L.D. Copen

14. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) Virginia  
 (State or country)

15. MAIDEN NAME Susie Starke

16. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) Virginia  
 (State or country)

17. INFORMANT Irvin L. Florence  
 (ADDRESS) Alexandria Va.

18. BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL  
 PLACE Bell Haven, Va. DATE 2/23/36

19. UNDERTAKER Cunningham Funeral Home  
 (ADDRESS) Alexandria Va.

20. 2/23/36 W. Lewis Schaefer, M.D.  
 Registrar

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

21. DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) Feb. 21, 1936

22. I HEREBY CERTIFY, THAT I ATTENDED DECEASED FROM Feb. 18, 1936 TO Feb. 21, 1936

I LAST SAW HE ALIVE ON Feb. 20, 1936, DEATH IS SAID

TO HAVE OCCURRED ON THE DATE STATED ABOVE, AT \_\_\_\_\_ A.M.

THE PRINCIPAL CAUSE OF DEATH AND RELATED CAUSES OF IMPORTANCE IN

ORDER OF ONSET WERE AS FOLLOWS:

apical abscess  
(infected) with subsequent  
peritonitis.

Date of onset  
?

CONTRIBUTORY CAUSES OF IMPORTANCE NOT RELATED TO PRINCIPAL CAUSE:

NAME OF OPERATION \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS \_\_\_\_\_ WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? \_\_\_\_\_

23. IF DEATH WAS DUE TO EXTERNAL CAUSES (VIOLENCE) FILL IN ALSO THE FOLLOWING: DATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

ACCIDENT, SUICIDE, OR HOMICIDE? \_\_\_\_\_ INJURY \_\_\_\_\_

WHERE DID INJURY OCCUR? \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Specify city or town, county, and State)

SPECIFY WHETHER INJURY OCCURRED IN INDUSTRY, IN HOME, OR IN PUBLIC PLACE.

MANNER OF INJURY \_\_\_\_\_

NATURE OF INJURY \_\_\_\_\_

24. WAS DISEASE OR INJURY IN ANY WAY RELATED TO OCCUPATION OF DECEASED? \_\_\_\_\_

IF SO, SPECIFY \_\_\_\_\_

(SIGNED) W. Lewis Schaefer, M.D. M.D.  
 (ADDRESS) Alexandria, Va.

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Jim Florence, Sr (Me)  
 Jim Florence, Jr  
 Irvin Florence, Jr  
 1970



Irving Florence, Jr. & Jerry Reed (1950)



**Second Wife - Pat Smith - he had a daughter named Darlene**

**Third Wife - Sandra Blatter, from Berywin, Illinois on 2/22/1958**

**Known Children of Irvin, Jr. & Sandy:**

- 1 - Kim - born 12/13/1958**
- 2 - Lynn - born 12/7/1959**
- 3 - Debbie - born 8/31/1961**
- 4 - Robin - born 10/18/1963**

**b- Stillborn son born circa 1927 buried in the Bethel Cemetery between Wilkes and Henry Streets, Alexandria.**

**Known Children of Irvin & Ella Mae:**

**c- Patricia Lee - born 4/1936 died 1995 from a heart attack. She is buried in Hillsboro, Virginia next to her daughter, Lynn. Pat was married three times:**

**1<sup>st</sup> husband was Johnny Beach, date of marriage unknown. They had one child, Larry born 10/11/1955.**

**2<sup>nd</sup> husband was William Creed, date of marriage unknown.**

**Known Children of Patricia and William:**

**1 - Billy Creed - born 6/17/1958, married Peggy Steinmacher on 7/15/1986.**

**2 - Michael Creed - born 2/3/1960, married Sandy Archer on 6/6/1978.**

**3<sup>rd</sup> husband was Raymond Hagenbuch and had one daughter, Lynn born 9/21/1968 died 1/31/1990.**

**d - John Robert - born 11/13/1945 died 5/29/1998 from a heart attack and is buried at Quantico National Cemetery. He married Barbara Barnett.**

**Known Child of John & Barbara:**

**1 - Tara**

**e- James Edward Florence, Sr.** (me) born 8/14/1947, married Bettie J. Travers, daughter of John W. Travers, SR. and Elizabeth Mae (Gorham) born 7/13/1949 on 2/21/1967 in Rockville, Maryland:

**Known Children of James & Bettie:**

**1 - James Florence, Jr. (Tuki)** born 11/23/1967. He married Tara P. Myers, daughter of Howard and Barbara Myers on 12/24/1990. Tara was born 8/12/1970 in Maryland.

**Known Children of James & Tara:**

**a - Courtney Page** - born 7/4/1991

**b - Garrett Edward** - born 12/27/1999

**2 - MeLisa Lee** - born 2/4/1975. She married David Richards, son of David & Margaret Richards of Manassas, Virginia on 9/9/2000.

**2 - Thelma Margaret** - second child of John Merideth Florence born 1906 died 1975. She married Charles Mills born 1912 died 1976. Both are buried at Woodbine Baptist Church.

**3 - Edwin M.** - born 8/13/1907 died 10/18/1971 (died in a mental institution in Charlottesville, VA - never married.

**4 - Lynn Alford** - born 9/14/1909 died in Ocala, Florida around 1997. Lynn married his 1<sup>st</sup> wife Alene and had a daughter named Patsy, he married 2<sup>nd</sup> wife Margaret Sellers in 1940.

**Known Children of Lynn & Margaret:**

**a - Keith** - (retired Fairfax police officer) married Leslie From

**Known Children of Keith & Leslie:**

**1 - Deena      3 - Jay**  
**2 - Robert**

a. **Bucky** is currently a school teacher

Lynn married is 3<sup>rd</sup> wife Mildred date of marriage unknown and his 4<sup>th</sup> wife Virginia date of marriage is unknown.

**5 - Clarence W.** - born 9/4/1911 died 7/27/1960 from a brain hemorrhage, and is buried at the Woodbine Baptist Church Cemetery. He married Kitty Taber.

**6 - Nadine** - date of birth unknown - she married a man named Bayliss.

**7 - Harvey B.** - born 3/14/1916 died 5/19/1991. 1<sup>st</sup> wife was Pauline Johansen, 2<sup>nd</sup> wife Rose Zinni. Harvey is buried at the Woodbine Baptist Church Cemetery.

**Known Children of Harvey & Pauline:** (no children with Rose)

1 - Paul - born 5/3/1946

2 - George - born 2/16/1948

3 - Linda - born 4/7/1949

4 - Joe - born 5/28/1950

**8 - Ralph Audley** - born 6/15/1918 died 8/3/1918 from pneumonia. He is buried with his grandfather, Benjamin F. in the Prince William Forest Park

This concludes the line generation of George and Newman.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

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CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

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Bureau of Vital Statistics

State Board of Health

File No.—For State Registrar Only

21195

Registered No. 23

(For use of Local Registrar)

Registration District No. 262

(To be inserted by Registrar)

PLACE OF DEATH  
County of Pr Wren  
Magisterial District of Campbell  
or  
Inc. Town of \_\_\_\_\_  
or  
City of \_\_\_\_\_

(If death occurred in a Hospital or Institution give its NAME instead of street and number)

2 FULL NAME Ralph Audley Florence

Residence In City \_\_\_\_\_ Yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ Mos. \_\_\_\_\_ Days \_\_\_\_\_

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3 SEX Male 4 COLOR OR RACE White 5 SINGLE Single  
MARRIED  
WIDOWED  
OR DIVORCED  
(Write the word)

6 DATE OF BIRTH June 14<sup>th</sup> 1918  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

7 AGE 19 If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.?  
✓ 1 yrs. 1 mos. 1 da.

8 OCCUPATION  
(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work none  
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)

9 BIRTHPLACE (State or Country) Va

10 NAME OF FATHER John Meredith Florence

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or Country) Va

12 MOTHER'S NAME OF MOTHER Lula McAlister

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or Country) Va

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

John Meredith Florence  
Deputy Registrar  
Aug 1 1918  
W. C. Basore  
LOCAL REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH Aug 2, 1918  
(Name of month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from Aug 1 1918 to Aug 1 1918  
that I last saw him alive on Aug 1 1918  
and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at \_\_\_\_\_ m.  
The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:

Solus Pneumonia

(Duration) yrs. mos. 1 da.

Contributory (SECONDARY) Marasmus

(Duration) yrs. mos. da.

(Signed) D. C. Clinch M. D.

Aug 1 1918 (Address) Dempsey Ave

\*State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or, in deaths from VIOLENT CAUSES, state (1) MEANS OF INJURY; and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDE, or HOMICIDE.

18 LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (For Hospitals, Institutions, Transients, or recent Residents.)

At place of death yrs. mos. da. In the State yrs. mos. da.

Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death?

Former or usual Residence

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL

Home near of Grand

20 UNDERTAKER James H. Cole

DATE OF BURIAL

Aug 3

ADDRESS

Prater St

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## CHAPTER FOUR

**Joseph and Mary** - this is the 3<sup>rd</sup> and last son in the line of John Flourance. His date of birth and death is unknown. It is believed that Joseph and Mary stayed in Prince William County, but that most of their children moved away. Joseph's farm was off of what is known today as Brentsville Road.

### **Known Children of Joseph & Mary:**

**1 - William Flourance** - date of birth and death unknown. Married 1<sup>st</sup> wife Elizabeth Smith (date unknown). Married his 2<sup>nd</sup> wife Elizabeth (Castle) Hufford on 10/7/1829. William is buried at Cathersburg Cemetery, Hendricks County, Indiana. William and his family moved to Woodford, Kentucky, in August 1794.

### **Known Children of William & Elizabeth Smith.:** (No children with his 1<sup>st</sup> wife)

- a - Elizabeth
- b - Obediah
- c- James
- d - Cynthia
- e - Lettice
- f - Katherine
- g - Nelly
- h - William
- i- Willis
- j- Eliza

**2 - Samuel, Sr.** - born circa 1753 marriage information unknown (Ref. Mormon Temple Records, Salt Lake City, UT)

### **Known Children of Samuel, Sr.:**

- a - George
- b - Samuel, Jr.
- c - Kitty

**Note:** Kitty and Samuel, Jr. are named in a document that they acquired their father's furnishings and effects back from a Samuel Weaver on March 4, 1825 (Deed book 10, Page 11).

**3 - George** - in 1806 moved to Wood County, Virginia (now West Virginia) and had a son named Abednego..

**4 - Mary** - married - James Nolan

**5 - Celah** - married Elijah Cleveland

**6 - Elizabeth** - married a man named Butler (may not be the William Butler listed below.)

The children of Joseph and Mary are listed in Will Book Y, Page 407, and Deed Book 7, Page 631 (11/17/1795). Also, on 11/1/1784, Deed Book W, Page 111 mentions brothers William and George Flourance, and Prince William families, i.e. William Butler, Joseph Petty and Moses Suthard.

## CHAPTER FIVE

The information in this chapter is just bits and pieces that I found in the Prince William Records on Florence or Florance families. I was unable to find any direct connections or parents. I know they belong to our family and maybe reading this chapter you will be able to piece together an ancestor or two to your line.

**1 - Elizabeth Florance** - age 52 in 1850

**2 - Nancy Florance (Ann)** - age 55 in 1850

Nancy and Elizabeth were living with William J. Manuel according to the 1850-1860 census records. These two were sisters proven by Nancy's (Ann) will dated 2/9/1860, Book R, Page 526. In this will she mentions Sarah Manual and Elizabeth Petty as nieces. Elizabeth was the daughter of George, Jr. and Eve who married Joseph Petty and is mentioned in George, Jr.'s will. Nancy (Ann) also mentions in her will William and George Riley as nephews, and Elizabeth as her sister who she left a 106 ½ acre farm to. Elizabeth and Nancy (Ann).

**3 - William Florance** - is another person living near Elizabeth and Nancy (Ann). I believe that all three are siblings. William married Louisa Renoe daughter of Strother Renoe who owned 821 acres near the town of Greenwich. Ann (Nancy) died 10/1/1866 according to her obituary column. According to the 1870 census Elizabeth was still living at William J. Manuel's house. On 1/21/1871, before she died Elizabeth sold the 106 ½ acres for \$100 to William J. Manuel according to Deed Book 28, Page 470. She apparently died shortly after this because she did not appear in the 1880 census records.

Because of the location of the property listed in the previous paragraph, that location today is only five minutes away from George, Sr.'s original home place. Due to this I believe that Elizabeth and Nancy (Ann) are from the line of George, Jr. and Eve.

**4 - Sophie Florance** - age 21 married Luther M. Slocum age 25, the son of Luther and Elizabeth Slocum in Fauquier County according to marriage records for the period 1854-1890. Luther was from Northumberland County, Virginia. They were married 8/9/1883.

**5 - Carter Florance** - born 4/24/1854 was the son of Carter and Elizabeth. (Ref. 1853-1896 Fauquier Birth Records, Book K, Page 24, Line 4).

**6 - Margaret C. Florance** - died April 1850 at the age of 23 of consumption. She was married but her husband and parents are unknown.

**7 - Maggie Florance** - died 2/19/1894 - age, parents, husband not known (Ref. Prince William County Death Records).

**8 - Phineas A. Florence** - born circa 1863 living in Prince William District in the 1900s (Ref. Soundex Volume 44, Sheet 7), living there also was Robert A. Ellis "A Border".

**9 - Erastus M. Florence** - born circa 1839 according to the 1880 Prince William census records the only place he appeared. At the age of 41 he was living with his wife Mary age 30.

**Known Children of Erastus & Mary:** (children names and ages according to the 1880 Prince William County Census Records)

- a - Rosa** - age 7
- b - Alfred** - age 6
- c - William** - age 5
- d - Robert** - age 3
- e - Mary** - age 10 months

Living with them was an Aunt Martha Anderson age 60. I could not find any more information on Erastus. But his children's names follow the names of the 1<sup>st</sup> son of John and Elizabeth Florence's son William. My best guess would be he is a son of Alfred and Jane Florance who's children were born during the same time --- but I don't know this for a fact.

**10 - Frederick Florance** - age 21 married Blanda Allison age 21 on 3/11/1916 in Fauquier County. He was the son of Jeff and Ella. Blanda was the daughter of William and Minnie Allison.

There are three Florences in the Alexandria Gazette obituaries columns from 1784-1915 as follows:

**Ida Florence** - died 7/24/1858 - Page 3

**John Florence** - died 11/17/1853 at the age of 9 - Page 2

**Sarah Florence** - died 12/3/1857 in Philadelphia, Pa - Page 3

According to the St. Mary's Cemetery Records in Alexandria, there is a Pauline C. Florence buried there.



## CHAPTER SIX

### FLORENCE DEEDS - 1730 - 1798

John Florence to William and George Flourance - 3/12/1752 - Book 1, Page 182

Joseph Florance to George Florance (son of Joseph) - Book U, Page 363

James Florance from Charles Graham (son of George, Sr.) - Book U, Page 512

Joseph Florance to Henry Washington - Book W, Page 358

William Flourance from John Flourance - Book 1, Page 133

William Florance (son of John Flourance) to Thomas Atwell - Book U, Page 42

William Florance from Joseph Florance - Book Y, Page 433

George Florance from Henry Marge rum - Book X, Page 219

George Florance from Joseph Florance - Book X , Page 406

George Florance from William Davis - Book Y, Page 583

Joseph Florance to George Florance - Book Y, Page 406

Joseph Florance to Elizabeth Butler - Book Y, Page 407

Joseph Florance to William Florance - Book Y, Page 433

Joseph Florance to James Nolan - Book Y, Page 631

Joseph Florance to Elijah Cleveland - Book Z, Page 56

## FLORENCE DEEDS - 1799 - 1886

Elizabeth Florance from William Florence - Book 21, Page 85

Elizabeth Florance to Basil G. Robertson - Book 27, page 163

Elizabeth Florance to William Riley - Book 27, Page 129

Elizabeth Florance to William J. Manuel - Book 28, Page 470

Edgar S. Florence from Joe B. Reid - Book 35, Page 207

### Other Deeds:

Roland Florance from Reuben Collings dated 4/6/1835 - part of Rutt Johnson's (deceased) estate.

Roland Florance to Woodyard -

Benjamin F. Florence - Homestead Act - Book 29, Page 344

Benjamin F. Florence - 130 acre deed - Book 29, Page 93

Benjamin F. Florence - Homestead Act - Book 28, Page 201

James Florence and wife Amanda from Walter Woodyard 100 acres - \$200

James Florence from Carney 19 acres 7/28/1832

James Florence from Tibbs 142 acres

James Florence from Harding 25 acres

For your information other Florence deeds listed in the Prince William Courthouse are:

Book 5 - Page 499

Book 9 - Page 156

Book 17 - Page 119/120

Book 25 - Page 99

Book 27 - Page 46

Book 29 - Page 23

Book 31 - Page 114

Book 34 - Page 119 or 410

**FLORENCE LAND CAUSES IN PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VA**

<b><u>Defendant</u></b>	<b><u>Plaintiff</u></b>	<b><u>File No.</u></b>
Florance	Ward	19
Florence	Renoe	1
Florence	Norville	6
Florance	Hunton	23
Florance	Florance	46
Florence	Cole	51
George Florence	Wallace County	74 in 1920
J. A. Florence	H. K. Laws	86
George H. Florence	Miles A. Didlake	150 in 1925
Robert H. Florance	Housborough	61

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Wards of Eugenia E. + Benjamin Florance	Guardian Account & List of Heirs	1855	Will Book Q	Page 289
Ann Florance	Will	1869	Will Book R	Page 526
Isaac Florance	Will	1878	Will Book T	Page 26
Benjamin F. Florance	Will	1885	Will Book T	Page 515
V. Belle Florance	Will	1895	Will Book V	Page 78
George N. Florance	Will	1909	Will Book W	Page 560
Laura M. Florance	Will	1910	Will Book X	Page 64
James Adison Florence	Will	1915	Will Book Y	Page 48
Alice L. Florence	Will	1916	Will Book Y	Page 155
M. A. Florance	Accounts	1920	Will Book Z	Page 175
Laura M. Florance	Account	1910	X/ 235	
George H. & Emma V. Florance	Tr. a/c	1924	Will Book 1	Page 83
Joseph A. Florance	Will	1928	Will Book 1	Page 486
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FLORENCE/FLORENCE WILLS 1792 TO PRESENT 1997

**Bits of some of the Wills**

FILED IN PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA

YEAR FILED	NAME OF WILL	LOCATED IN	
		BOOK	PAGE
1792	FLORENCE, GEORGE SR.	H	32
	WIFE NEWMAN SONS		
	LAUGHTERS;		
	GEORGE, JR.		
	SARAH		
	<b>William</b>		
	<b>JAMES</b>		
	FRANCIS		
	RUTH		
	MARY		
	<b>MISSY</b>		
	EXECUTOR OF WILL MR. JONES		
1822	FLORENCE, GEORGE SR.	L	412 &
	WIFE-EVE	L	446

GEORGE REQUESTED ALL HIS DEETS BE PAID BEFORE ANY DIVISION  
OF HIS ESTATE.

SONS	LAUGHTERS	
WILLIAM	JUDITH	
JOSEPH	POLLY CORNWELL	POLLY HAD A DAUGHTER-MITILLA CORNWELL
ROLAND	ELIZABETH PETTY	
JAMES		

IN GEORGES WILL HE STATES TO LEAVE MAY HIS NEGRO WOMAN AND BUEEN, ^  
WALNUT CHEST, 4 COWS, ALL UTINCILS, 2 CABINETS OF FURNITURE, LARGE CHEST  
OF DRAWERS, 2 HORSES, ALL CHOICE HOGS, 12 CHAIRS AND A WOODEN CASE.

1822	FLORENCE, WILLIAM	L	503
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NO MENTION OF CHILDREN ASSUMED IT WENT TO HIS

EXECUTOR JOHN FLORENCE

SPELLED ENCE.

LEFT IN HIS WILL 7 BUFFALO, COWS, HORSES, BEEHIVES, FLOUR AND  
WHISKEY BARRELS. TOTAL VALUE OF ESTATE \$3420.85

YEAR FILED	NAME OF WILL	LOCATED IN	
		BOOK	PAGE
1827	FLORENCE, WILLIAM	M	457
	NO LAND, WIFE OR CHILDREN MENTIONED.  LEFT HIS NEGRO GIRL ANN \$ 125.00 TEN BARRELS OF CORN VALUED AT \$ 20.00 HORSE AND EQUIPMENT, AND FURNITURE.		
1832	FLORANCE, WILLIAM	N	445
	BOOK ( N ) COULD NOT BE LOCATED IN THE COURT HOUSE LIBRARY.		
1834	FLORANCE, JAMES	O	56
	TOTAL OF ESTATE \$ 100.25		
1849	FLORANCE, RACHEL	P	410
	TOTAL OF ESTATE VALUE \$ 199.87		
1855	FLORANCE, BENJAMIN	Q	269
	WIFE-EUGENIA		
	THIS WILL WAS FILED AT THE COMMISSIONERS OFFICE AT GREENSVILLE COURT HOUSE 12/15/1854  IT MENTIONED WARD'S FATHER WAS LEFT \$ 40.00 FOR HIS SERVICE IN THE WAR OF 1812.		
	ON BOTH WILLS OF BENJAMIN AND EUGENIA EXECUTOR WAS ADDISON THOMAS		
	NO MENTION OF CHILDREN.		

YEAR FILED	NAME OF WILL	LOCATED IN BOOK	PAGE
1869 ( JUNE 8. )	<p>FLORANCE, ANN</p> <p>ELIZEETH L. FLORANCE--- WAS LEFT 120 ACRES KNOWN AS THE DUNNINGTON TRACT. HER NIECE SARAH JANE MANUEL-MY NEGRO WOMAN AND HER 3 CHILDREN.</p> <p>NIECES SARAH JANE MANUEL ELIZABETH L FLORENCE</p> <p>EXECUTOR OF WILL- WILLIAM J. MANUEL SWORN BY JOHN R. KINCHELOE</p>	E	526 & 693
1885	<p>BENJAMIN F. FLORENCE</p> <p>WIFE-ALICE MAIDEN NAME (LYNN)</p> <p>IN 1885 LIVED ON A FARM CALLED ( COPELAND )</p> <p>LEFT HORSES, CATTLE, WAGON, HOGS AND ALL FURNITURE.</p> <p>WITNESS- JAMES A. TOLSON</p>	T	515
1878	<p>FLORANCE, ISAAC</p> <p>FILED AT THE COMMISSIONERS OFFICE AT BRENISVILLE COURT HOUSE TOTAL VALUE OF ESTATE \$ 286.83</p> <p>DIED IN 1877</p> <p>ADMINISTRATOR OF WILL- JAMES W. FLORENCE</p>	I	26,23,63,176
1895	<p>FLORANCE, <sup>WIFE</sup> EELLE</p> <p>DIED 12/3/1895</p> <p>MOTHER WAS LOUISE</p> <p>WITNESS- J.E. THORNION</p>	V	78

YEAR FILES	NAME OF WILL	LOCATED IN BOOK	PAGE
1909	FLORENCE, GEORGE N. WIFE- LAURA DAUGHTER HELEN W. FLORENCE	W	560
	REMAINED AT HOME ALL HER LIFE.  LEFT HER 2 SHARES IN MERCHANTILE RAILWAY ELDG. IN ALEXANDRIA, VA.		
1910	FLORENCE, LAURA M.	X	64,235
	LEFT HER ENTIRE ESTATE TO JOSEPHINE RAWNER.		
1915	FLORENCE, JAMES ADDISON WIFE- MALLIE VIRGINIA FLORENCE	Y	48
	HE DIED 5/27/ 1915		
1916	FLORENCE, ALICE L.	Y	155
	HUSBAND WAS BENJAMIN F. FLORENCE ALICE DIED NOVEMBER 1914 WILL EXECUTED IN 1916 LEFT HER DAUGHTER NANNIE L. FLORENCE ALL PERSONAL AND ALL PROPERTY OF 122 ACRES IN PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VA ANOTHER DAUGHTER MINNIE WHO MARRIED JOSEPH A. HERBERT WHO LIVED AT 302 E CAPITOL ST. WASHINGTON, D.C.		
1920	FLORENCE, MARK A.	Z	175
	DIED APRIL, 1920 IN HIS WILL DATED JUNE 6, 1917 HE STATED  HE PAID THE FOLLOWING FOR SERVICES RENDERED. THE STEWART IRON WORKS \$ 84.86 FOR IRON FENCE TO PLACE AROUND BURIAL LOT, SOUTHERN RAILWAY FOR FREIGHT OF FENCE \$ 4.49, HAULING SAME \$ 2.50, WILLIAM HOITLE \$ 9.40		



CONTINUING OF MARK A. FLORENCE

ALSO PAID A. LIEAU FOR ERICK \$ .75, AND SHIRT FOR BURIAL \$ 1.00 AND ON  
1/12/1920 PAID GEORGE D. BAKER FUNERAL HOME \$ 40.00 FOR HEARSE AND CASKET AND  
\$ 1.00 to the minister.

### THE FLORENCE CEMETERY

( THIS GRAVEYARD LOCATED AT ROUTE 234

AND ERENTSVILLE ROAD BECAUSE, OF THE IRON GATE CONSTRUCTED AROUND

THE GRAVEYARD AND THE FACT A. LIEAU WAS ONE OF TWO BROTHERS

THAT RAN THE LOCAL BRICKYARD FOR THE AREA AND BOUGHT THE PROPERTY

THE GRAVEYARD NOW SITS. IT WAS PURCHASED BY THE LIEAU BROTHERS IN 1892

AND SOLD TO THEM BY JAMES FLORENCE.

YEAR FILED	NAME OF WILL	LOCATED IN BOOK	PAGE
1924	FLORENCE GEORGE H. WIFE- EMMA V.	1	83
	ON JANUARY 12, 1924 FROM THEIR ESTATE T.E. DIDLAKA PURCHASED 92 ACRES FOR \$ 1100.00		
1928	FLORENCE, JOSEPH A. ( WIDOWER )	1	486, 487
	LIVED IN GAINESVILLE, VA. DIED 2/10/1928		
	SONS:	IN 1928	THEIR AGES
	ROBERT H.	51	GAINESVILLE, VA.
	WILLIAM L.	49	SHEPPARDTOWN, W. VA.
	JOSEPH A. (JR)	46	NORFOLK, VA.

YEAR FILED	NAME OF WILL	LOCATED IN BOOK	PAGE
1929	FLORENCE, ANNA ( MISS )	6 2	189 108, 89
	HER SISTER- JULIA TOWNSEND	AGES IN 1929 80	ADDRESSES NOKESVILLE, VA.
	NEPHEW R.H. FLORENCE	55	GAINESVILLE, VA.
	NEPHEW W.L. FLORENCE	50	W. VA.
	NEPHEW ACKIE FLORENCE	46	NORFOLK, VA.
1931	FLORENCE, JEANETTE ( WIDOWER )	2	327, 412,
	DIED 2/6/1931		
	WILLED TO GRANDSON WALTER WM. BALIZELLE		
	HOME AND 30 ACRES NEAR WM. POSEY, A MANSION HOUSE NEAR MINNIEVILLE.		
	DAUGHTER LILLIE M <sup>C</sup> MILLAN	AGE 48	ADDRESSES MANASSES
	SON LEONARD FLORENCE	42	M <sup>C</sup> CLURE, Pa.
	DAUGHTER MARY ANNIS	39	CATLETT, VA.
1932	FLORENCE, JOSEPH A.	2	433
	IN BANK HAYMARKET, VA. \$ 1,472.00		
	NATL. BANK OF MANASSES \$ 1,637.00		
	FUNERAL EXPENSES PAID TO P.E. MAYHUGH \$ 147.00		
	GRAVESTONE, PAID M.J. HOTTE \$ 250.00		
	EXECUTOR-SON - R.H. FLORENCE		
1937	FLORENCE, JOHN L.	4	91, 72
	E- 1900 L- 1937 HIS MOTHER-EMMA V.		
	HIS FATHER- GEORGE		
	JOHN AND GEORGE ARE BURIED AT PRINCE WM. FOREST PARK OFF ROUTE 519		
	WEST OF QUANTICO MARINE BASE APPROXIMATELY 2 MILES.		

YEARS FILED	NAME OF WILL	LOCATED IN BOOK	PAGE
1941	FLORENCE, EMMA V.	5	339
		6	246,299,248
	DIED JUNE 11,1941 AT HOME IN DUMFRIES,VA.		
	SONS	DAUGHTERS	GRAND DAUGHTER
	JOHN CHAMP	ETTIE GINN	EMMA SHIRLEY
	CLOSE FRIEND MENTIONED IN WILL- JOHN GALLAHAN		
	APPRAISERS OF ESTATE		
	FRENCH S. ERawner		
	W.S. ERawner		
1945	FLORANCE, ROBERT H.	7	173,441,420,1
	1945 WIDOWER ADDRESS GAINESVILLE, VA.		
	68 YEARS OF AGE DIED AT ALEXANDRIA HOSPITAL 3/31/1945		
	SON-MAJ. HENRY A. FLORANCE	AGE 29	
	DAUGHTER- IRENE FLORANCE-WOOD	AGE 27	BOTH CHILDREN OF GAINESVILLE,VA
	HEIRS-SON AND DAUGHTER ABOVE.		
	MAJ. HENRY FLORANCE AND E.E. ROLAND EACH OWNED 1/2 OF CATTLE SCALES AT GAINESVILLE,VA.		
1950	FLORENCE, JOSEPH E.	10	279,292,192
		19	133
1972	FLORENCE, MILION JOSEPH	32	320

THIS IS THE END OF THE FLORANCE/FLORENCE WILLS ON RECORD FILE AT  
PRINCE WILLIAM COURT HOUSE, MANASSAS,VA. AS OF JANUARY 1997.

# FLORENCE HEIRS

SOURCE: PRINCE WILLIAM COURT HOUSE, MANASSAS, VA.

YEAR	SURNAME	HEIRS OF	BOOK	PAGE
1926	FLORENCE, MARY C.	CHARLES MILTON COPEN	1	316
1928	FLORANCE, JOSEPH A.	JOSEPH A. FLORANCE	1	487
1928	FLORANCE, W.L.	JOSEPH A. FLORANCE	1	487
1929	FLORANCE, (R.H. ) ACKIE	MISS. ANNA FLORANCE	2	89
1931	FLORANCE, BEATRICE	R.H. DUVALL	2	343
1932	FLORANCE, JOSEPH A.	JULIA TOWNSEND	2	450
1932	FLORANCE, WILLIAM	JULIA TOWNSEND	2	450
1929	FLORANCE, LILLIAN C.	MARY A. HOFFMAN	2	104
1931	FLORANCE, LEONARD	JEANETTE FLORENCE	2	327
1937	FLORENCE, EMMA V.	JOHN L. FLORENCE	4	72
1942	FLORENCE, IRVIN L. (JR).	L.D. COPEN	6	285
1943	FLORENCE, HOWARD E.	PETTY COLEERI	6	367
1945	FLORANCE, HENRY A.	ROBERT H. FLORANCE	7	174
1950	FLORENCE, CORDON L.	JOSEPH B. FLORENCE	10	333
1950	FLORENCE, AUEREY W.	JOSEPH B. FLORENCE	10	333
1950	FLORENCE, OWEN F.	JOSEPH B. FLORENCE	10	333
1950	FLORENCE, PAUL W.	JOSEPH B. FLORENCE	10	333
1950	FLORENCE, MANUEL L.	JOSEPH B. FLORENCE	10	333



## Cemetery Locations

**Old Flourance Homeplace** - corner of Dumfries Road (Rte 234) and Brentsville Road. Sits in a high wooded area 100 feet off of Rte 234 and Prince William Parkway.

**Florence Cemetery** - located in Prince William Forest Park ¼ mile into the woods off Burma Road. Park Rangers have to take you there. There are two other cemeteries located here - the Jones Cemetery and the Watson Homeplace, with Florences buried.

**Woodbine Baptist Church** - located on Dumfries Road (Rte. 234) about 2 miles from Independent Hill towards Manassas, left side, very well kept.

**Greenwood Presp. Church** - Church is now gone, but the cemetery remains and is not well kept. You take Delaney Road off of Minnieville Road in Dale City, Virginia. About a ¼ of a mile down Delaney Road the site is on the left side of the road on a hill in the woods.

**Greenwood Baptist Church** - located on the corner of Minnieville and Cardinal Drive in Dale City. Very well kept.

**Greenwich Church** - located on Vint Hill Road (Rte.215) two miles off Rte. 29. Very well kept.

**Dumfries Methodist Church** - located in the City of Dumfries beside the elementary school. Other side of the cemetery runs off of Mine Road and is a well kept cemetery.

**Manassas City Cemetery** - across the street from the Prince William Court House and Fire Department. On Lee Street in Old Town Manassas.

**Warring Cemetery** - located on a private residence on McGrath Street in Lake Jackson off of Rte. 234.

**Pohick Church** - located on Jefferson Davis Highway (Rte. 1) 1 mile north of Lorton, VA.

**Bellehaven Church** - located on the Quantico Marine Base. From Samsky's Store on Rte. 234 take Rte. 619 (Joplin Road) to Bell Fair Road turn right. It is 2 miles down on the left side. Church is gone but the cemetery is in excellent condition.

**Gainesville Methodist Church** - ½ mile from Gainesville on Rte. 55 towards Haymarket on the right side.

**Warrenton Cemetery** - located in the City of Warrenton, 2 blocks behind the Court House. This is where John S. Mosby (CSA) "The Grey Ghost" and his family are buried. There is a small maintenance building in the center of the cemetery with a grave locator posted on it.

**Bethel Cemetery** - corner of Wilkes and Payne Streets in Alexandria, VA.

**Lynn/Keys Cemetery** - corner of Aden Road and Joplin Road (Rte. 619) Independent Hill, VA.

**Hixon/Carter Cemetery** - turn on Buckhall Road off of Prince William Parkway and it is located one mile down on the left.

**Quantico National Cemetery** - located off Rte. 1-95 on Rte. 619, Go west one mile on Rte. 619 and the cemetery is on the left.

**Ivy Hill Cemetery** - located on the right side of King Street westbound ½ mile from the Masonic Temple, Alexandria, VA.

This is a list of the Florences that applied for a Business License. The list is 1805-1955 and compiled by Ronald Ray Turner who has done an exceptional job compiling several books located in the (Relic Room) Eull Run Regional Library, Manassas, Va.

**Florence and Allen** - Gainesville, Va., general merchants in 1925 business licenses.

**Florence, Albert B.** - listed as a retail merchant in the business license 15 Mar 1834. BL

**Florence, B. M.** - Manassas, Va., operated a confectionery in Manassas, paid for a business license 1875-1877 and is listed as a confectioner in the 1877-1878, 1880-1881, 1884-1885, business directories.

**Florence Farms** - Gainesville, Va. - H. A. Florence of Arlington, Va. was the owner in the 1940s (retail business)

**Florence, George** - An ordinary owner from 1808 to 1812 in the business licenses.

**Florence, George N.** - retail merchant. 1891 - 1899 in district #1

**Florence House** - Manassas area bar room, in the 1890s was operated by A. Flaherty. BL

**Florence, J. B. -General Store** Agnewville, Va., Listed in the 1911, and 1917, Virginia business directories.

**Florence, Jackson** - Independent Hill, Va., Listed in the 1893-1894 Virginia business directory as a coach and wagon builder.

**Florence, James W.** - District #1, Listed as a huckster 15 Jul 1879 BL

**Florence, John A.** - District #1, retail merchant and tobacco license 2 May 1898.

**Florence, R. H.** - Gainesville, Va., a livery stable and private entertainment license 01 Nov 1911 BL - In the 1917 & 1920 Virginia business directories and licenses he is listed with a boarding house and is a live stock dealer.

**Florence, W. J.** - Manassas, Va., Is a boot and shoemaker in the 1897-1898 and 1906 Virginia business directories. He was on the Manassas town council in 1897 and 1898.

# CHAPTER SEVEN

## THE ROSTER OF FLORENCE CIVIL WAR SOLDIERS 1861-1865

REF: RICHARD L. ARMSIRONG, JEFFERY C. WEAVER AND KENNETH L. STILES  
HAVE PUBLISHED SEVERAL CIVIL WAR BOOKS ON CAVALRY AND  
BATTALION UNITS. THIS LIST WAS BY BROADFORD PUE. CO. WILMINGTON, N. C.

Florence, Benjamin <sup>F</sup> VA 49th Inf. Co. B	Florence, J.J. MS 30th Inf. Co. C
Florence, Benjamin M. VA 17th Inf. Co. K	Florence, J.L. MO 11th Inf. Co. A
Florence, C.B. AL 51st (Part. Rangers) Co. B	Florence, J.N. GA 31st Inf. Co. E
Florence, G.A. MO Cav. Schnabel's Bn. Co. A	Florence, John GA Inf. Atwater's Co.
Florence, H.C. LA Washington Arty. Bn. Co. I	Florence, John A. 1st Conf. Inf. 2nd Co. F
Florence, I. TN 38th Inf. 2nd Co. K	Florence, John W. GA 55th Inf. Co. K
Florence, James TX Cav. Madison's Regt. Co. D	Florence, Joseph AL 24th Inf. Co. I
Florence, J.D. MS 36th Inf. Co. C	Florence, LaFayette GA 15th Inf. Co. G
Florence, J.E. LA Washington Arty. Bn. Co. I	Florence, Lewis, Jr. VA Hvy. Arty. 19th Bn. 2nd Co. C
Florence, John E. LA Inf. 16th Bn. (Conf. Guards Resp. Bn.) Co. A	Florence, M.A. VA 15th Cav. Co. H
Florence, M.A. AL 3rd Res. Co. A	Florence, Manuel KY 8th Cav. Co. K
Florence, Thomas A. MS 5th Inf. Co. B Cpl.	Florence, Mark VA Cav. Mosby's Regt. (Part. Rangers) Co. H
Florence, W. TN 38th Inf. 2nd Co. K	Florence, M.I. AL 45th Inf. Co. C
Florence, W.E., Jr. LA Washington Arty. Bn. Co. 2	Florence, Oliver S. GA 55th Inf. Co. K
Floriat, Charles 20th Conf. Cav. Co. B 1st Sgt.	Florence, Peyton M. GA 15th Inf. Co. G
Florden, James AL 15th Inf. Co. I	Florence, R.C. VA 4th Cav. Co. H
Florez, Henry GA 26th Inf. Co. B Cpl.	Florence, S.H. AL 45th Inf. Co. C
Florence, A.H. AL 45th Inf. Co. C	Florence, Simeon TX 3rd Cav. Co. K Sgt.
Florence, Andrew J. 1st Conf. Inf. 2nd Co. F, Co. B	Florence, Simeon TX 13th Vol. 2nd Co. D
Florence, Berian W. 1st Conf. Inf. 2nd Co. F, Co. B	Florence, S.J. TX 14th Inf. Co. D Sgt.
Florence, C.B. AL 12th Inf. Co. F	Florence, S.K. TX Cav. Border's Regt. Co. A
Florence, G. <sup>C</sup> VA 4th Cav. Co. H	Florence, S.T. GA 7th Cav. Co. I Sgt.
Florence, Charles GA LL Arty. Daniell's Bty.	Florence, S.T. GA Cav. 24th Bn. Co. D Sgt.
Florence, D. TX Cav. Border's Regt. Co. A	Florence, Sterne T. GA 41st Inf. Co. B
Florence, David TX 14th Inf. Co. D	Florence, T. AL 7th Cav. Co. C 1st Lt.
Florence, E.C. GA 55th Inf. Co. K	Florence, T.A. MS 46th Inf. Co. K
Florence, Edmond KY 3rd Cav. Co. K	Florence, T.B. TX 13th Vol. 2nd Co. D
Florence, Edward GA 12th (Robinson's) Cav. (St. Guards) Co. G	Florence, Thomas B. TX 15th Inf. 2nd Co. H
Florence, Edwin L. 1st Conf. Inf. 2nd Co. F	Florence, Thomas J. AL Garrison Guard Co. C
Florence, E.S. GA 3rd Regt. 2nd Brig. St. Troops Hall's Co.	Florence, Thomas W. GA 2nd Inf. Co. E Sgt.
Florence, Ezekiel AL 33rd Inf. Co. C	Florence, T.J. AL 45th Inf. Co. C
Florence, Gilbert GA 46th Inf. Co. A	Florence, T. Judson AL 45th Inf. Co. C
Florence, Gipson GA 61st Inf. Co. G	Florence, W.A. AL 3rd Regt. Conscr. Co. A
Florence, G.W. TN Cav. Napier's Bn. Co. D	Florence, Wiley E. TX 17th Cav. Co. G
Florence, Henry VA Hvy. Arty. 10th Bn. Co. A	Florence, William AL 34th Inf. Co. D
Florence, J.A. AL Mil. 4th Vol. Co. C	Florence, William GA Cav. 9th Bn. (St. Guards) Co. A
Florence, James GA 13th Cav. Co. D	Florence, William GA 2nd Inf. Co. B Sgt.
Florence, James TX Cav. Hardeman's Regt. Co. B Black	Florence, William GA 4th Res. Co. A Adj.
Florence, James A. AL 40th Inf. Co. H	Florence, William VA 4th Inf. Co. B
Florence, James T. NC Inf. 2nd Bn. Co. E	Florence, William E. VA 20th Cav.
Florence, James W. GA 2nd Inf. Co. B Sgt.	Florence, William H. GA 7th Inf. Co. D
Florence, James W. GA 41st Inf. Co. F	Florence, William H. MO 3rd Inf. Co. G
Florence, J.B. TN 5th Inf. 2nd Co. C Cpl.	Florence, William H. VA 49th Inf. Co. A
Florence, J.D. MS 8th Inf. Co. C	Florence, William K. 1st Conf. Inf. 2nd Co. F
Florence, J.F. AL 45th Inf. Co. C	Florence, William M. GA 2nd Inf. Co. B
Florence, J.F. SC 1st (McCreary's) Inf.	Florence, Wilson TX 14th Inf. Co. G
Florence, J.H. AL 40th Inf. Co. H	Florence, W.L. AL 34th Inf. Co. A
Florence, J.H. AL 62nd Inf. Co. C	



VIRGINIA FLORENCE CIVIL WAR SOLDIERS

NOTE; THE 49TH VA. WAS CALLED " EILLYS BOYS " FOR THE 64 YEAR OLD FORMER VIRGINIA GOVERNOR, WILLIAM SMITH, WHO LED THE 49TH AT THE BATTLE OF 1ST MANASSAS. THE 49TH CONSISTED OF 210 SOLDIERS FROM AMHERST, WARREN AND PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTIES, THAT MADE UP STONEWALL JACKSONS LEFT FLANK AND PLAYED A HEROIC ROLE IN THE CAPTURE OF GENERAL RICKETTS BATTERY. REF: BOOK BY LEE WALKER, "MEN OF THE 49TH."

BENJAMIN F. FLORENCE (MY GRT. GRANDFATHER) 49TH VA. INF. CO. G & LATER CO. B. ENLISTED IN DUMFRIES, VA. 7/1/1861. WENT AWOL 1863, WAS A PRISONER OF WAR, CAPTURED IN CHARLES CO. MD., ON 9/17/1864 TOOK THE OATH OF ALLEGIANCE IN WASH. D.C. WHERE HE MARRIED LAVENIA ALICE LYNN AND REMAINED UNTIL HE BOUGHT HIS FARM IN PRESENT DAY PRINCE WILLIAM FOREST PARK IN 1871. HE PAID \$300 FOR 130 ACRES. DEED BOOK 29 PAGE 93. BENJAMIN, WIFE ALICE, 2 CHILDREN AND A GRANDSON ARE BURIED IN PRINCE WILLIAM FOREST IN THE FLORENCE CEMETERY OFF BURMA ROAD.

BENJAMIN MANKIN. FLORENCE 17TH VA. INF. CO. K SON OF WILLIAM ISSAC & ANN MANKIN. FLORENCE. WAS A CARPENTER. AT AGE 23 ENLISTED 4/22/1861 AT WARRENTON, VA. CAPTURED AT FAIRFAX COURT HOUSE 6/1/1861 AND ESCAPED. PROMOTED TO CORPORAL 9/17/1861, SGT. 12/14/1861 REDUCED IN RANK 4/27/1862. WOUNDED AT FRAYSEES FARM. 6/30/1862 HE WAS CAPTURED AND PAROLED AT FAIRFAX COURT HOUSE 4/29/1865. MARRIED LOUSIA CANNON, WAS A CARPENTER AND RAN A CONFECTIONARY STORE IN MANASSAS UNTIL HIS DEATH. BURIED WITH HIS WIFE AND DAUGHTER, MORA BELLE AT MANASSAS CITY CEMETERY.

WILLIAM H. FLORENCE BROTHER OF BENJAMIN F. 49TH VA. INF. CO A & LATER B. ENLISTED 7/1/1861 IN ERENSVILLE, VA. IN THE EWELL GUARD. WOUNDED AT SHARPSEBURG 9/17/1862. WILLIAM WAS LEFT IN MARYLAND AFTER THE RETREAT BACK TO VIRGINIA. IN HIS REGIMENT WERE 1238, 99 WERE DECLARED DESERTERS, 94 WENT AWOL AND NEVER RETURNED. WILLIAM WAS BORN IN AN AREA CALLED "VOY" NEAR INDEPENDENT HILL. HE IS BURIED JUST THROUGH THE WOODS FROM HIS BROTHER AT THE WATSON FAMILY CEMETERY IN PRINCE WILLIAM FOREST PARK.

LEWIS FLORENCE, JR. 19TH BATTALION 2ND CO. C, VA. HEAVY ARTILLERY. I COULD NOT FIND ANY INFORMATION ON THIS FLORENCE INCLUDING HIS PARENTS.

HENRY FLORENCE 10TH BATTALION CO. A. VA. HEAVY ARTILLERY. I COULD NOT FIND OTHER CIVIL WAR INFORMATION AS TO THIS FLORENCE INCLUDING HIS PARENTS.

WILLIAM E. FLORENCE 20TH VA, CALVERY, PRIVATE, PAROLED IN RICHMOND, VA. 4/21/1865.

WILLIAM FLORENCE 4TH VA. INF. ENLISTED 4/16/1862, SUBSTITUTED FOR C. PARKER AS AN AMBULANCE DRIVER 10/22/1862, LISTED THEREAFTER AS A DESERTER.

ROBERT C. FLORANCE 4TH VA. CAVALRY CO.H. ENLISTED 3/9/1863.IN STEVENSEBURG  
HIS HORSE WAS KILLED AND PAID \$600 HE WAS WOUNDED IN  
THE HEAD AND CAPTURED AT EEVERLY FORD,EXCHANGED FOR PRI-  
SONERS 6/1863,PAROLLED 6/25/1863,parolled 5/13/1865  
AT FAIRFAX COURT HOUSE.BORN IN WARRENTON.

MARK A. FLORENCE 15TH VA. CAVALRY CO. H. ENLISTED MAY 1860 PRINCE WILLIAM  
CO. IN BROWNS CO. AGE 22 AS OF 9/22/1862.WAS ENLISTED  
AT LEAST UNTIL 12/8/1864.PAROLLED 4/29/1865 AT FAIRFAX COURT  
HOUSE.HEIGHT 5FT 9IN.,LIGHT HAIR,BLUE EYES,LIGHT  
COMPLECTION.HE WAS A MEMEBER OF JOHN S.MOSEYS PARTISAN RANGERS.  
HE WAS THE SON OF JAMES W.FLORANCE & JULIA HIXSON.  
BURIED AT THE OLD FLORENCE HOMEPLACE CEMETERY,CORNER  
OF RT.234 & PRINCE WILLIAM PARKWAY.

G.C.  
FLORENCE 4TH.VA. CAVALRY CO. H. ENLISTED 3/15/1862 AT BEALETON,VA.  
AT AGE 26.AWOL NOV-DEC. 1862. WOUNDED AT BEAVER DAM  
PAROLLED AT FAIRFAX COURT HOUSE.FROM NEW BALTIMORE  
NEAR WARRENTON,VA. HEIGHT 5FT 10IN. DARK COMPLECTION,  
BROWN HAIR,HAZEL EYES,BROTHER OF ROBERT C. BOTH SERVED IN  
THE 4TH IN CO.H. SONS OF JANE & ALFRED FLORANCE, BOTH OF  
THEM ARE BURIED VERY CLOSE TO EACH OTHER AT WARRENTON CEMETERY  
WITHIN 100 YARDS OF COL.JOHN S.MOSEY(CSA) AKA THE GREY GHOST.  
FLORENCES LISTED IN WAR OF 1812

JAMES FLORENCE SON OF GEORGE AND NEWMAN FLOURANCE.  
REF: " PRINCE WILLIAM, THE STORY OF ITS PEOPLE AND ITS PLACES"  
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BY WORKERS OF THE PROJECTS ADMINISTRATION IN THE  
STATE OF VIRGINIA.

FLORENCES,FLORANCES,FLOURANCES OF THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR

DAVID FLORANCE	MASS.
GEORGE FLORANCE	VA.
JOHN FLORANCE	MASS.
PHILLIP FLORANCE	MASS.
THOMAS FLORANCE	MASS.
THOMAS FLOURANCE	VA.,NC.,GA.
OEEDIAH FLOURANCE	VA.,NC.
WILLIAM FLOURANCE,JR.	VA.
ABRAHAM FLORANCE	MASS.
CHARLES FLORENCE	MASS.
GEORGE FLORANCE	VA.,NC.
THOMAS FLORENCE	CONN.
WILLIAM FLOURANCE	VA.,KY.

Confederate

4 49 Batt Va  
Benj F Florence  
Pt Co H 49 Va Batt

Appears on a

Roll of Prisoners of War

and from Old Capitol Prison [Washington,  
D. C.] from Sept. 26 to 30, 1864.

List dated

Not dated, 1864

was captured Charles C Ind

was captured Sept 7, 1864

marks: Sent to Pro  
Marshal's Office.

Released on oath  
allegiance for order Gen  
August.

Copy of roll

G. K. Gordon

(CONFEDERATE)

Wm H. Florence

Pvt Co A, 49th Va.

Appears on a

LIST

of killed, wounded and missing,  
in Ewell's Division, Aug. 22 to  
Sept. 20, 1862.

List dated

Not dated

1864

Remarks: Wounded  
Sharpsburg, Sept. 17, 1862

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CONFEDERATE MUSTER ROLLS!  
BENJAMIN F. & WILLIAM H. WERE BROTHERS



ALBERT LEWIS. M<sup>C</sup>ALLISTER

WAS MY GREAT GRANDFATHER. HE WAS BORN IN 1847, MADISON CO. VA.

ENLISTED WITH THE CONFEDERATE ARMY 8/5/1863 AT CAMP RAPIDAN NEAR ORANGE VA. COURT HOUSE. HOSPITALIZED 3/16/1865 WITH THE MUMPS. PAROLLED 4/9/1865 AT APPOMATOX. ON 10/14/1863 HE WAS LISTED WITH GENERAL A.P. HILL 10 VA. CO. L. CO. L WAS COMPOSED OF MADISON CO. VA.

THE 10TH VA. ALSO SERVED AS GUARDS AT THE TIME OF JOHN BROWNS TRAIL AND EXECUTION AT HARPERS FERRY.

ALBERT ALSO SERVED IN GENERAL STONEWALL JACKSONS ARMY AND JOINED GENERAL EARLY FOR THE RAID ON WASHINGTON D.C. AND THE LAST OF THE VIRGINIA VALLEY CAMPAIGNS.

HE ALSO PARTICIPATED IN THE LAST OFFENSIVE ATTACK OF THE ARMY OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA AT FORT STEADMAN. ONLY ONE DOZEN TOTAL SURRENDERED TO GENERAL GRANT ON 4/9/65.

HIS FATHER HENRY MCALLISTER WAS IN HIS FORTIES HAD ENLISTED TO SERVE ALONG SIDE OF HIS SON ALBERT. HENRY WAS IN CO. L.

ALBERT PARTICIPATED IN MANY BATTLES AROUND RICHMOND AND ALSO IN CHANCELLORVILLE WHERE HE WAS COMMENDED FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE ACTION.

ALBERT MARRIED MARGARET MURPHY WHO WAS BORN IN ST. LOUIS MISSOURI AND CAME TO MARSHALL WITH HER PARENTS AS A 9 WEEK OLD INFANT.

MARGARET AKA MAGGIE, WAS 1ST. COUSIN TO KATE JAMES WHO WAS THE NIECE OF THE GREAT TRAIN ROBBER JESSE JAMES.

ALBERTS DAUGHTER LULU, MARRIED MY GRANDFATHER JOHN MERIDETH. FLORENCE, WHO IN TURN HAD A SON (MY FATHER) IRVIN LEE. FLORENCE, WHO OF COURSE HAD ME JAMES EDWARD. FLORENCE, SR.

ALBERTS WIFE AND DAUGHTER LULU ARE BURIED IN MARSHALL VA. CEMETERY ON ROUTE 55 ALONG SIDE OF LULUS BROTHER RUFUS MCALLISTER WHO WORKED IN WASH. D.C. AS A STREET CAR CONDUCTOR AND FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

ALBERT DIED 2/13/1931 LIVING IN WASH. D.C. AT THE TIME AND WAS 84 YEARS OLD. HE IS BURIED AT THE CONFEDERATE SECTION AT ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY.



# CONFEDERATE DIES AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS

Albert L. McAllister Was Father  
of Fireman—Came Here From  
Virginia 26 Years Ago.

Albert Lewis McAllister, 84 years old, Confederate veteran and for many years a resident of this city, died at his home, 1332 1/2 North Capitol street, yesterday.



Albert L. McAllister.

Death came after a sudden illness. He had been suffering from heart trouble, however, for some time.

Mr. McAllister was born in Madison County, Va., where he made his home during his younger life. He later lived at Bluemont, Va., and came to Washington from that place about 26 years ago, making his home here with his son, Rufus E.

McAllister, a member of the District Fire Department attached to No. 14 Truck Company.

During the Civil War Mr. McAllister was in active combat action in many of the battles and skirmishes which took place in the region around Richmond, Va., and also was in the battles of Chancellorsville, where he was commended for meritorious action and gallantry. His father, who was about 40 years of age at the time, also was in many of the battles with him.

He was a member of Confederate Veterans' Camp, No. 117, and the Friends' Church. He is survived by his son and three daughters, Miss Mary McAllister, Mrs. J. M. Florence and Mrs. G. W. Russell, all of this city.

Funeral services will be conducted at J. William Lee's Sons funeral home, 332 Pennsylvania avenue, Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Interment will be in the Confederate section in Arlington Cemetery.

(CONFEDERATE.)

Me 10 Va.  
A. L. McAllister  
Co. F 10 Regt. Va.

Appears on a Register of

C. S. A. General Hospital,  
Farmville, Virginia.

Complaint *Parotitis*  
Admitted *March 11, 1865*  
Returned to duty ..... 186  
Deserted ..... 186  
Discharged from service *Parotitis*  
Sent to General Hospital ..... 186  
Furloughed ..... 186  
Died ..... 186  
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## CHAPTER EIGHT

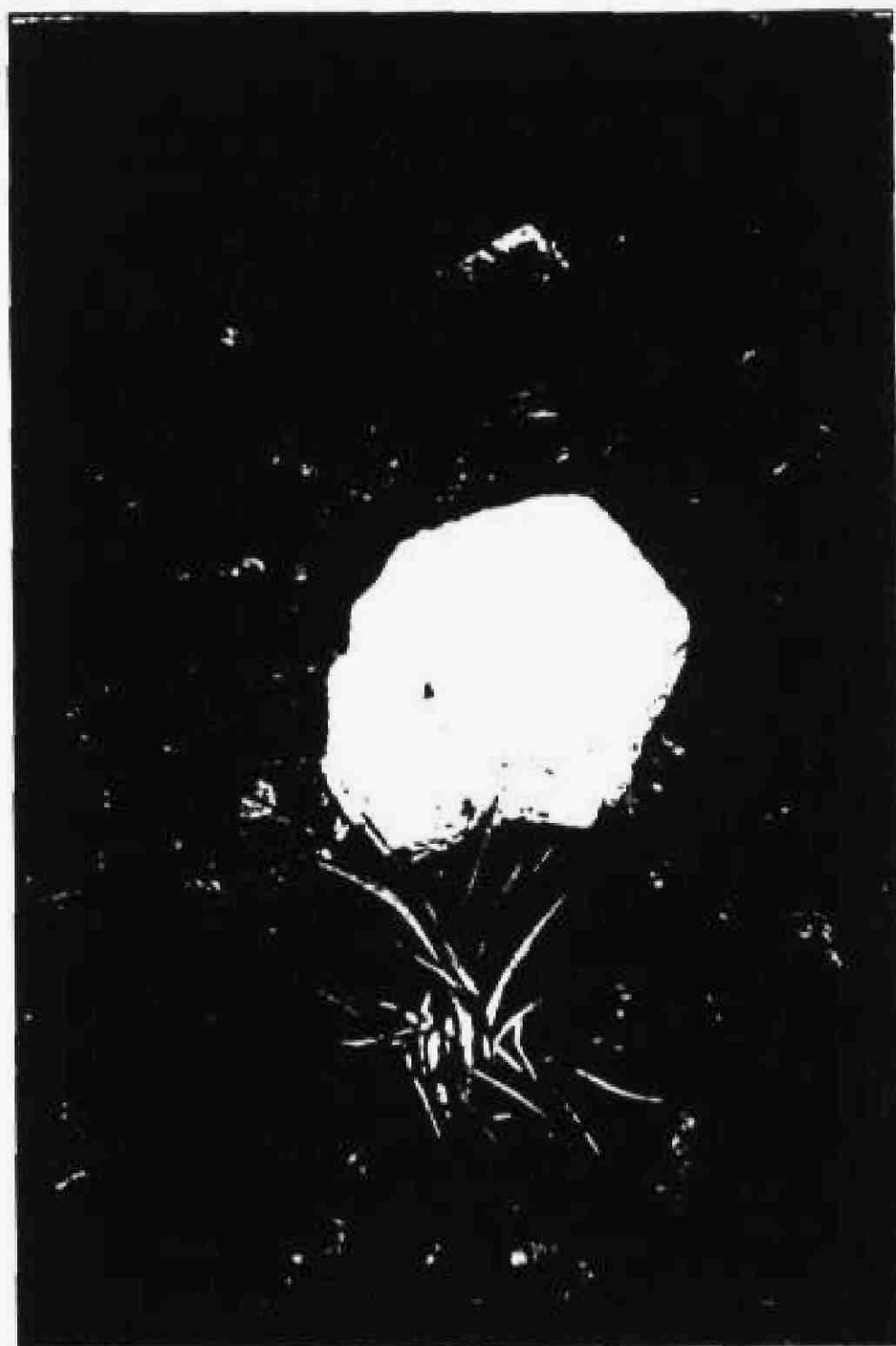


1 - Backside  
 2 - Front side of Memorial Stone at the  
 Old Flourance Home Place Cemetery  
 3 - Robert Flourance and (mae) Jim  
 Florence, Sr. At the fence going  
 around the cemetery. The fence was  
 erected in 1920 by Mark Flourance,  
 U.S.A. who served with Mosby's  
 Partisans Rangers  
**Note:** There are many more graves  
 outside of the fence

OLD FLOURANCE CEMETERY AS IT LOOKED IN MARCH 2001



The pictures above reflect what the cemetery looked like after two weeks of resetting and painting the fence, stones, cleaning out the leaves/weeds and planting flowers. This was a labor of love that I did so that future generations could come and see the resting place of their early family members. These are your fore fathers, take the time to take your family for a visit when you are in Prince William County.



This is the only marker in the Old Cemetery with an inscription. It reads "J. W. Sr.,  
Flour\_ \_ \_ \_" last letters in the name are broken off. There are no dates on the stone.  
This is believed to be James Flourance, Sr., 1757-1832. The grave is 60 feet from the  
*iron fenced area on the opposite side of the other 2 rows of sandstone graves.* This would  
have been my Great, Great, Great Grandfather, son of George and Newman Flourance  
and brother of George Flourance, Jr., who was married to Eve.



## **Florence. Florance. Flourance Cemetery**

**Location:** Rt. 234(Dumfries Road) across from Bentsville Road, Prince William County, VA.

This picture is shows at least 20 graves outside of the fenced in section of the cemetery. These graves are believed to be decendent Florence children and possibly Civil War soldiers and slaves. You can see at least two rows of sandstone graves.



# FIRST TELEPHONE COMPANY PRINCE WILLIAM CO.

## MANASSAS AND DUMFRIES TELEPHONE CO.

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### RULES FOR PHONE-OPERATORS.

No one shall be entitled to the use of the line for more than five consecutive minutes, especially when it is known that some one else is awaiting the use of it.

Do nothing without first listening and waiting to know if the line is in use; if it is, then wait for five minutes and request the use of the line.

After using the line, do not neglect to "hang off," which is the duty of the one calling.

Persons sending messages, and requiring them to be delivered, must pay actual cost of any, of delivery.

Messages over the phone are private, and should be so regarded.

No improper language will be allowed over the line. For violation of this section there shall be imposed a fine of one (\$1.00) dollar for the first offense, and for a second the matter shall be brought before a committee of three members of the company, appointed by the President, which shall have the power to suspend the offender from the use of the line, and in addition thereon may impose a fine of two (\$2.00) dollars. The party grieved shall have the right to appeal.

When one party calls to another, and asks to communicate with a third party, the one calling shall state his or her identity, or what phone is being used, otherwise the request will not be granted.

Any one through carelessly listening to conversation over the line, is respectfully requested to keep

the battery cut off, otherwise those using the line will be disturbed.

Vocal or instrumental music, or disturbing noises of any kind will not be tolerated during business hours, namely between 6 a. m. and 9 p. m., week days.

It is the desire and intention of this Company to give its patrons courteous treatment and good service; and it is earnestly requested that owners of public and private phones see that the rules and regulations are properly enforced.

Each phone holder shall send to the treasurer the first of each month the amount taken in for pay messages, with list of parties sending message and where to.

A non-subscriber has no right to use the line free of charge.

Do not use your phone as a "header storm" it is dangerous.

Answer your phone promptly, if good service is expected.

Never use line when others are talking on it.

Let phone holders and switch-board operators alike extend to each other due respect and forbearance with courtesy.

Report all trouble to the Manager at once.

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E. L. Cornell ■ ■ ■ ■  
H. C. Miller ■ ■ ■  
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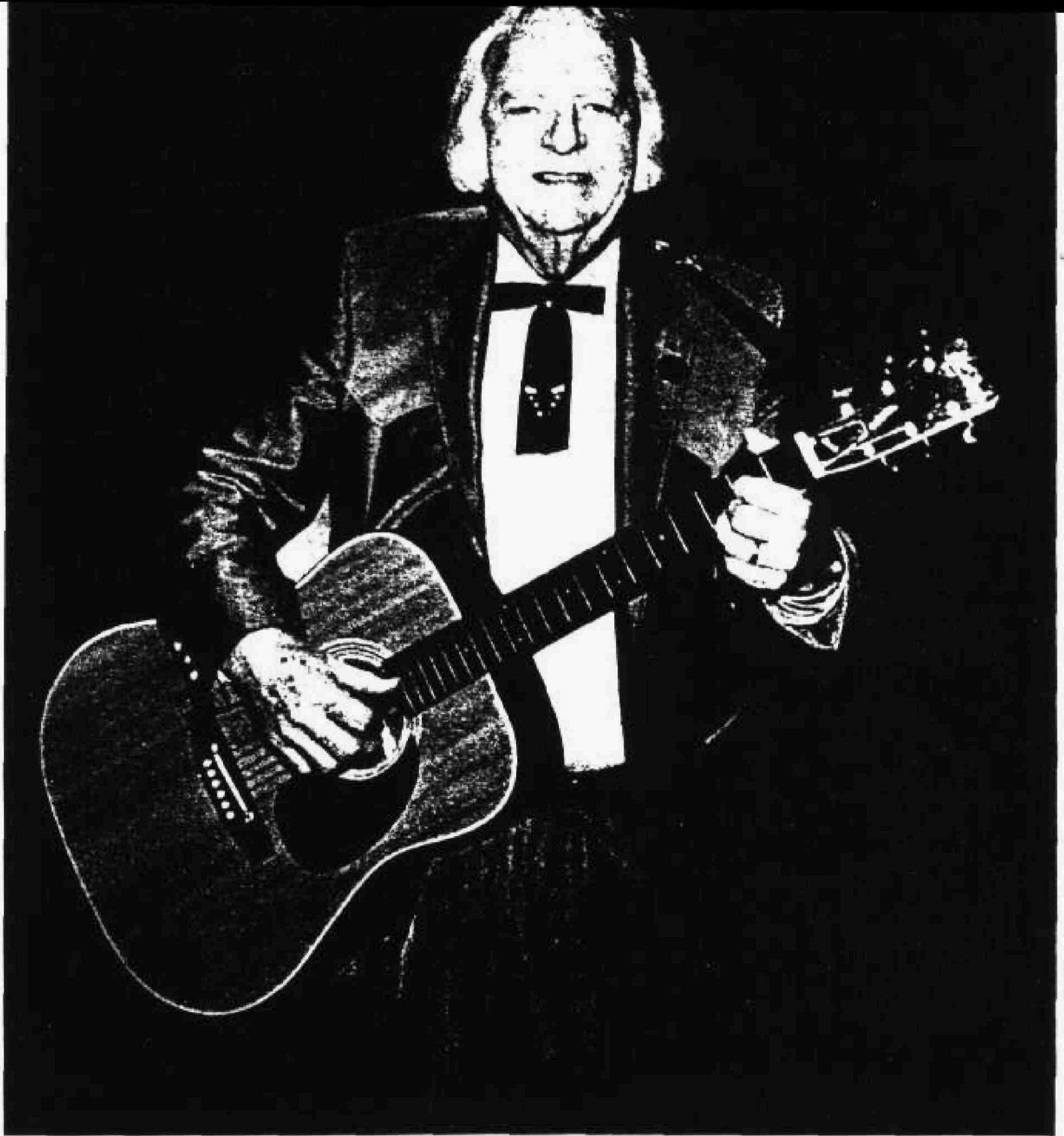


*Historic Name:* **Woodbine Baptist Church**  
*Date or Period:* **1875**  
*Original Use:* **Church**  
*Vicinity:* **Independent Hill**

One of the few surviving 19th Century churches in the area, this small, 20' x 30', frame-built, gable-roofed country church is covered with channeled siding and rests on a newly-built stone foundation. The one-room interior has a moulded chairrail, plaster walls and a pine floor. Plain, pine box pews are arranged to form a central aisle. The church was relocated on this site in 1962 and renovated by the congregation in 1973 to celebrate its 100th Anniversary. Originally known as Union Grove Church, it was constructed entirely by volunteers on land donated by E.C. Lynn, a Canova farmer.



The Old Primitive Baptist Church & Graveyard. Picture taken circa 1910. The church has collapsed and only part of the tin roof is still on the ground. The church and graveyard is completely covered now with briars and is unkept. Some tombstones still standing are the "PAYNE" family. Located at the corner of Aden & Joplin Roads, Independent Hill, Va.



*To Jim Howard*

*"Cousin Ray"*  
JAN 1997

*May God Bless You & Love You*

WPWC AM 1450

**"Cousin Ray"**

*Ray Woolfenden - 1901-1996*

His Grandfather Rev. Thomas Woolfenden built the Bellehaven Baptist Church (now gone). "Cousin Ray" was a member of the "Grand Ole Opry", he died last year





Elvis Presley and my brother  
Irvin Florence, Jr - Mid - 1950 s



Grandma-Lunia Reedy 1978  
My mothers, mother



Uncle Lynn Florence, James Jr., James Sr



Uncle Harvey Florence 1988



My mother Ella M Florence 1998



James Sr., and wife Bettie, my sons wife Tara, my son James Jr

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McLisa Florence and James Jr.  
-My Children-



James Sr Melisa and Bettie

Wedding of Melisa---  
James Jr., Bettie, James Sr., Melisa,  
Husband David Richards and  
Aunt Ruth & Eugene Rogers







Meet my granddaughter, Courtney Page Florence. 10 years old she is the 11<sup>th</sup> generation



Please meet my grandson and the  
11<sup>th</sup> generation from our first  
William. Over 340 years of Florences

Garrett Edward Florence, born 12/27/1999

The Florence line continues !!!!

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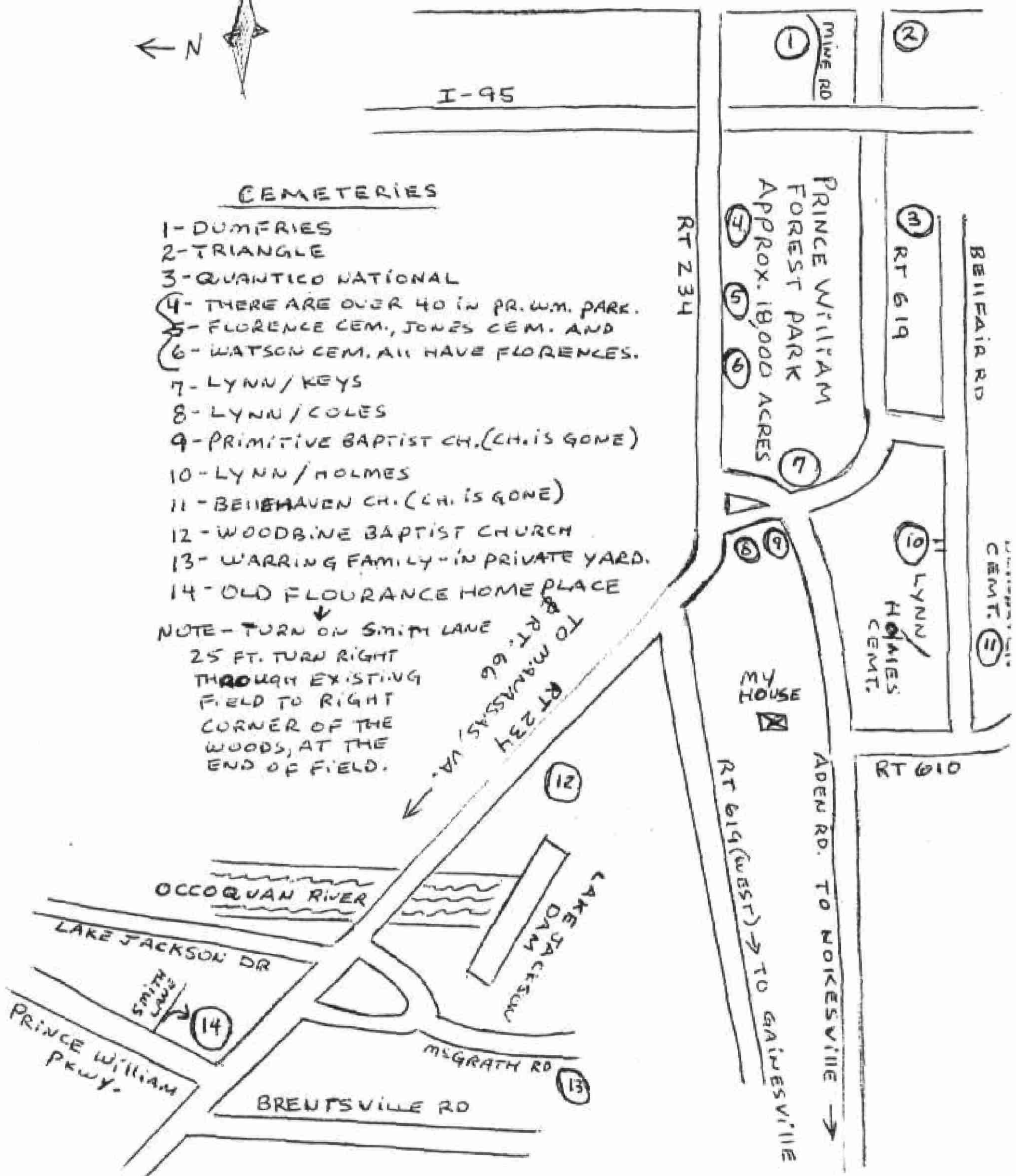


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